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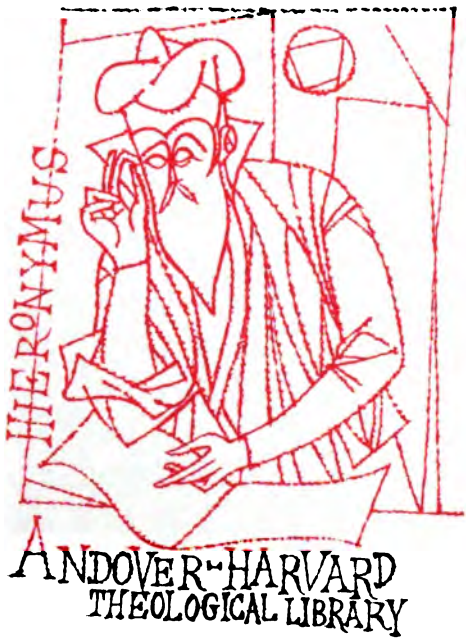

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OF PENNSYLVANIA AND ADJACENT STATES,

NORRISTOWN, PA.,

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OF PENNSYLVANIA AND ADJACENT STATES,

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TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH,

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MINUTES.

At its last meeting in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, Pa., a cordial invitation from Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Norristown, Pa., was extended to the Ministerium to hold its next convention in the latter place. This invitation was accepted, and the time of meeting fixed on the Thursday before Trinity Sunday. Accordingly "The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States" convened in the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rev. A. J. Weddell, pastor, on Thursday before Trinity Sunday, May 17, 1883.

The service of Confession and Absolution was held in the basement of the church at 10 A.M., and the Synodical Sermon was preached by the President, Rev. Joseph A. Seiss, D.D., at 10.30 A.M., from 2 Timothy, i. 8, after which the Lord's Supper was administered to the members of the Ministerium.

I.—SYNODICAL BUSINESS.

FIRST SESSION.

TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, NORRISTOWN, PA.,
Thursday, May 17, 1883, 2 P.M.

The President opened the 136th Annual Convention of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania according to the order prescribed in its liturgy. The roll of ministers was then called, and the lay delegates presented their credentials and were entered on the roll.

The following ministers and lay delegates were present at this meeting of the Ministerium:

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Ministers.	Residence.	Delegates.
Rev. H. S. Miller	Phœnixville	
" J. Jaeger	Allentown	
" E. Greenwald, D.D.	Lancaster	Reuben A. Baer.
" C. F. Welden	Philadelphia	Christian Heim.
" C. W. Schaeffer, D.D.	Philadelphia	
" G. W. Laitzle	Lebanon	A. H. Reinoehl.
" E. A. Bauer	Hazleton	
" Jos. A. Seiss, D.D.	Philadelphia.	Wm. H. Staake, Esq.
" A. Berg	Leacock	
" W. J. Mann, D.D.	Philadelphia.	J. G. Franck. / J. C. Frill, *Alternate.*
" A. J. Weddell	Norristown	Henry Lehman.
" W. S. Emery	Erwinna	J. E. Frankenfield.
" J. Kohler	Allentown	
" B. Sadtler, D.D.	Allentown	
" R. S. Wagner	Dushore	
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	Pottstown	S. S. Daub.
" G. F. Krotel, D.D.	New York City	Wm. Hauff.
" T. T. Iaeger	Reading	
" F. Walz	Sellersville	Wm. H. Raudenbush.
" H. Wercksel	Line Mountain	
" J. G. Abele	Harrisburg.	
" J. K. Plitt	Philadelphia	John Server.
" G. A. Hinterleitner	Pottsville	Charles F. Kopitzsch.
" Thos. Steck	Bridgeton, N. J	
" P. F. Zizelman	Scranton	
" W. Rath	Allentown	Charles Lorentz.
" S. Yingling	Columbia	
" G. F. Gardner	Allentown	Abraham F. Wolf.
" B. W. Schmauck	Allentown	Joseph Gressle.
" J. Fry, D.D.	Reading	Levi H. Liess.
" J. W. Hassler	New Holland	
" F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D.	Philadelphia	
" R. Hill	Allentown	T. H. Diehl.
" F. Berkemeyer	Sellersville	Joseph Strauss.
" D. M. Martens	Jonestown	H. Bross.
" H. Grahn	Philadelphia	Ludwig Meisz.
" J. F. Wampole	Freeburg	Prof. Dan. F. Boyer.
" F. J. F. Schantz	Myerstown	Levi Zartman.
" J. F. Bayer	Mahanoy	Elias Schaeffer.
" D. Kuntz	Nazareth	
" B. E. Kramlich	Kutztown	Tilghman Fritsch.
" J. A. Darmstaetter	Columbia	
" O. Leopold	Allentown	Henry Stein.
" B. D. Zweizig	Reading	
" A. Finfrock	Womelsdorf	
" A. R. Horne, D.D.	Allentown	J. L. Kramer.
" J. H. Voss	Germania	
" J. W. Early	Trevorton	
" J. H. Fritz	York	
" J. J. Kuendig	Reading	A. Bendel.
" P. Pfatteicher	Easton	Victor Leopold.
" G. A. Struntz	Pittston	
" Enoch Smith	Bethlehem	John Kiehl.
" A. Spaeth, D.D.	Philadelphia	Daniel Schramm.
" S. Laird	Philadelphia	Charles D. Colladay.

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Ministers.	Residence.	Delegates.
Rev. J. H. Schmidt	Freeland	
" T. Heilig	Stroudsburg	
" G. A. Bruegel	Cherryville	
" J. R. Groff	Danville	
" A. M. Strauss	Gilbert	T. G. R. Hawk.
" W. B. Fox	Sumneytown	N. W. Underkuffler.
" J. G. Pfuhl	Harrisburg	George Foerster.
" J. M. Anspach	Easton	A. Keller Michler.
" L. Groh	Boyertown	Israel Erb.
" G. F. W. Guensch	Minersville	Jonas Laubenstein.
" J. S. Renninger	Slatington	Tilghman Weber.
" H. Giesz	Jonestown	
" M. Schimpf	Philadelphia	
" M. C. Horine	Reading	Henry Johnston.
" W. Rieb	Newark, N. J	
" S. A. K. Francis	Philadelphia	
" M. B. Lenker	Lykens	
" J. C. Dizinger	Camden, N. J	H. Philip Stephany.
" G. W. Frederick	Philadelphia	
" W. O. Cornman	Easton	
" J. Gruhler	Shenandoah	
" H. E. Jacobs, D.D	Gettysburg	
" J. J. Cressman	Bernville	Elias Schock. / Wm. Grime, *Alternate.*
" J. Hillpot	Elizabethville	
" D. K. Humbert	Bowers	A. Fisher.
" J. D. Schindel	Allentown	James C. Beitel.
" G. F. Spieker	Kutztown	Abraham Long.
" J. Zentner	Trenton, N. J	Gottlieb Schultz.
" F. W. Weiskotten	Philadelphia	John Schlegelmilch.
" E. L. Reed	Lancaster	
" D. D. Trexler	Bernville	
" S. S. Henry	Jersey Shore	
" Z. H. Gable	Reading	Samuel Z. Sweitzer.
" H. S. Fegley	Lynnville	Nathan H. Weber.
" F. K. Huntzinger	Reading	O. B. Keller.
" P. Isenschmid	Wilmington, Del	
" W. A. Schaeffer	Wilkes-Barre	A. J. Heissler.
" C. J. Cooper	South Bethlehem	Henry Schweitzer.
" D. K. Kepner	Pottstown	Wm. Gilbert.
" W. H. Strauss	Lehighton	Jacob Zehner.
" R. Limsz	Philadelphia	Henry Goetschi.
" I. W. Bieber	Bethlehem	Peter Edelman.
" F. F. Buermeyer	New York	
" G. D. Foust	North Wales	Isaac W. Wampole.
" W. H. Rickert	Williamsport	Adam G. Rothfuss.
" F. Wischan	Philadelphia	John Born.
" H. N. Fegley	Mechanicsburg	Jacob Emminger.
" D. H. Geissinger	Easton	J. Sandt, / Jacob Heckelter.
" J. Neff	Spring City	Dr. Fr. W. Heckel.
" I. N. S. Erb	Orwigsburg	
" W. K. Frick	Philadelphia	M. L. Kohler, Esq.
" M. J. Kramlich	Fogelsville	
" W. H. Kuntz	Schuylkill Haven	
" J. J. Kuntz	Conyngham	J. S. Oberender.

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Ministers.	Residence.	Delegates.
Rev. S. A. Ziegenfuss	Bath	
" E. E. Sibole	Philadelphia	R. B. Miller.
" F. A. Kaehler	Germantown	H. S. Cassel.
" A. J. Long	Stouchsburg	George P. Urich, Esq.
" J. H. Neiman	Catawissa	Hermann Young.
" J. F. Ohl	Quakertown	Lewis Keller.
" O. P. Smith	Trappe	Daniel Miller.
" B. S. Smoll	Klinesville	
" D. M. Stetler	Beavertown	
" H. B. Strodach	Centre Square	Henry Moser.
" F. P. Bender	Philadelphia	Henry Koellner.
" D. L. Coleman	Centre Square	
" H. T. Duensing	Tamaqua	
" C. Elvin Houpt	Lancaster	Alfred A. Hubley.
" W. H. Laubenstein	Tamaqua	Philip Kolb.
" J. E. Nidecker	Wilkes-Barre	
" E. S. Brownmiller	Ephrata	Joseph Steininger.
" J. S. Erb	Slatington	
" C. J. Hirzel	Chestnut Hill, Phil.	Frederick Gross.
" W. H. Myers	Reading	Daniel L. Francis.
" A. P. Pflueger	Turbotville	Peter Menges.
" W. Wackernagel	Allentown	
" W. J. Andres	Bath	
" J. L. Becker	Sellersville	Aaron K. Wambold.
" C. G. Fischer	Germantown	
" L. Lindenstruth	Manch Chunk	
" L. Smith	Cogan Station	
" J. Q. Upp	South Easton	Aaron Richards.
" J. P. German	Berwick	
" J. W. Mattern	Stroudsburg	
" George P. Mueller	Marietta	
" E. H. Pohle	Norristown	H. Michael.
" H. T. Clymer	Wilmington, Del.	
" A. B. Markley	Millersville	
" S. E. Ochsenford	Selinsgrove	
" Ernest R. Cassaday	Philadelphia	
" J. F. C. Fluck	Philadelphia	Wm. R. Cressman.
" I. W. Gauker	Palmyra	Dr. P. M. Sweinhard.
" C. K. Drumheller	Pillow	Philip Bickel.
" E. H. Gerhart	Phœnixville	
" G. C. H. Hasskarl	Frackville	
" Wm. H. Geiger	Ringtown	Aaron Horn.
" Wm. J. Bieber	Hellertown	Daniel Beitkknecht.
" Charles L. Fry	Lancaster	
" U. P. Heilman	Brumfieldville	
" D. H Reiter	Richland Centre	Wm. B. Hinkel.
" H. E. Semmel	Lititz	Daniel Zwally.
" J. Luther Sibole	Philadelphia	Charles Hahn.
" Edgar M. Smith	Philadelphia	
" Jacob P. Uhler	St Peter, Minn	
" Asher W. Walter	Sand Cut	
" M. L. Zweizig	Scranton	
" J. H. Kuder	Laury's	F. K. Berndt.
" G. S. Seaman	Elizabethtown	
" W. M. Rehrig	Girardville	Christian Eberle.
" J. M. Watzler	Curtin	

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Mr. James P. King was present as delegate from the charge of Rev. J. B. Rath, Bethlehem.

The following delegates were present from vacant congregations, and from congregations whose pastors have not yet been received as members of Synod:

Epiphany Mission	Camden, N. J.	George Sheimer.
Trinity	Catasauqua	M. H. Horn.
Hinkletown Charge	Hinkletown	J. R. Reddig.
Middleport and Haine's	Schuylkill County	Wm. Bauer.

Rev. P. Krug, delegate of the New York Ministerium, presented his credentials, was welcomed by the President, and admitted to a seat in the Ministerium.

The following visitors in doctrinal sympathy with Synod were present:

Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D.D., of the North Carolina Synod.
" W. A. Passavant, D.D., of the Pittsburg Synod.
" C. L. Keedy, Principal of the Female Seminary at Hagerstown, Md., of the Maryland Synod.

The following members were received during this meeting:

Rev. Joseph Rechtsteiner from the Pittsburg Synod, and Rev. D. M. Henkel, D.D., from the Indiana Synod.

The following were ordained:

J. H. R. Wendel, J. G. Amschler, F. R. Berndt, C. R. Binder, J. F. Booher, J. W. Klingler, G. W. Sandt, T. E. Schmauck, S. B. Stubb, J. H. Umbenhen, A. G. Voigt, and A. W. Yeisley.

The following members were absent:

Revs. I. Roeller, H. I. Schmidt, D.D., A. J. Spangenberg, Ph.D., C. L. Erle, W. Weaver, J. C. Schmidt, W. Gerhard, D.D., G. F. Miller, F. Ehinger, B. H. Hunt, F. T. Hennicke, D. Sanner, J. B. Rath, A. Martin, B. F. Apple, M. H. Richards, T. L. Seip, J. M. Hantz, F. P. Mayser, C. Koerner, C. C. Kaehler, A. E. Erdman, W. A. Baetes, M. O. Rath, H. H. Bruning, and Missionaries H. C. Schmidt, I. K. Paulsen, T. Joseph, N. Paulus, H. G. D. Artman, F. S. Dietrich.

During the year three members of the Ministerium died, five were honorably dismissed, one was stricken from the roll, one is to be omitted from the roll, two were received from other synods, and twelve were ordained. The Ministerium numbered at this meeting 214, of whom 180 were present. There were present also 98 lay delegates.

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After the roll-calling the President presented the following report:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN,—With thankfulness to Almighty God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, for another year of grace and for His kind providence in bringing us together again in synodical convention, I now lay before you my second official report as President of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States.

The resolution passed at the last convention to drop the word "German" from the corporate title of this Ministerium, and directing the officers to "secure such legal sanction" as would duly authorize said omission, has been complied with, and the chartered title of this body is now "The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States."

The recurring changes in investments of funds in the possession of the Ministerium, and the necessity for the use of the seal of this body to legal documents, made it necessary also to have a new seal made to conform to change of title. Believing, upon legal advice, that the resolution to change the title virtually carried with it the authority to change the seal, such change has been made, using the same design and the same Latin wording, simply omitting the word "German." Both the old and the new seals have had to be affixed to some of the business documents passing through the hands of the officers; but for all new documents, having no direct connection with previous transactions, the new seal only has been used.

A number of the investments of funds in the hands of the Ministerium have been changed during the year, and all new investments and changes in tenure of the old have invariably been conformed to the directions given at the last convention concerning the letting of trust funds. A few instances remain in which it has not yet been practicable to conform to the requirement.

Early in August last application was made to me by the President of the Second Conference in behalf of a brother serving as an assistant missionary in Petersburg, Scranton, to confer upon him the right to administer the sacraments. The character and qualifications of the person designated seemed to be all that was required, and the necessities were represented as urgent; but as the constitution gave me no power or discretion to grant such right apart from specific instructions from the Ministerium, I declined the request, and referred the applicant to the present meeting of this body.

An application from the President and Secretary of the General Council's German Home Mission Committee was laid before me last October requesting permission for Revs. Hinterleitner, of Pottsville, and Darmstætter, of Columbia, to receive under their tuition some young men from Germany, for whose preparation for the ministry the committee had become unexpectedly responsible. The peculiarity and seeming urgency of the situation induced me to grant the request until the present meeting of the Ministerium, on condition that the number and names of the students so received by these brethren should be duly reported to me.

The names so reported are: George Amschler, Hugo Wendel, Gottlieb Ade (with Rev. G. A. Hinterleitner), and Nathanael Ander (with Rev. J. A. Darmstætter).

Under date of November 27 I received a communication from Rev. G. F. Woerner, of Honesdale, requesting a certificate of dismission from the Ministerium, stating simply that it was his "wish to join another Lutheran synod." I wrote him that it would be necessary for me to know first with what synod he proposed to connect. His reply was not of a character to answer the requirement, in which he stated that the congregation he was serving stood independent of any synod, and reiterated his request for an honorable dismission, or at least "a certificate of his good standing." To this I answered that his presentations did not meet the conditions laid down in the constitution (§ 81, 82) on which I would be

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authorized to comply with his request, and that I could only refer him to the Ministerium in session, assuring him that whatever would be reasonable in the case the Ministerium would doubtless do. To this I received reply, dated January 4, that as two applications had been unsuccessful in securing him an honorable dismission, and as his congregation had resolved not to be connected with this Ministerium, he had followed his wishes to join another body, and therein declared himself absolved from all responsibility to this Ministerium, and requests that his name be erased from our list of ministers. His letters are herewith submitted.

April 16, the President of the Second Conference placed in my hands certain declarations made and adopted by said Conference reflecting unfavorably upon the character of one of its members because of his alleged sympathy with what is regarded as unorthodox and inconsistent with the position of a Lutheran pastor. As I know nothing of the case except as presented in the report adopted by the Second Conference, I submit the paper for the examination of the Committee on Ministerial Business.

DISMISSIONS.

I have given certificates of honorable dismission as follows:
July 19, to Rev. J. A. Bauman, to the Swedish Augustana Synod.
August 29, to Rev. Chas. S. Seaman, to the Pittsburg Synod.
August 30, to Rev. W. Braunwarth, to the Synod of Canada.
October 9, to Rev. R. F. Weidner, to Swedish Augustana Synod.
January 2, to Rev. G. H. Trabert, to Swedish Augustana Synod.

PASTORAL CHANGES.

August 3, Rev. Wm. A. Schaeffer informed me that he had received and accepted a call from St. John's Church, Wilkes-Barre.

August 8, Rev. E. H. Gerhart informed me that he had resigned St. Paul's Church, at Chester, and accepted a call from St. John's, Phœnixville.

August —, Rev. J. B. Rath resigned his charge of the congregation at Altona, which has since been served by Rev. W. Wackernagel.

September —. Rev. J. L. Sibole informed me that he had resigned the charge of Epiphany Mission in Camden, N. J., and had accepted a call from St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, just resigned by Rev. R. F. Weidner.

September 29, Rev. J. Kohler informed me that he had resigned St. John's Church, Stroudsburg, and accepted a position in Muhlenberg College, Allentown.

January 1, Rev. G. H. Trabert informed me that he had resigned his charge at Lebanon to remove as missionary to Minneapolis, Minn.

February 1, Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., informed me that he had presented his resignation to the vestry as pastor of St. Michael's and Zion congregation, to take effect July 1; that the same had been accepted, and that he had been elected pastor emeritus of the congregation which he had served for more than thirty-two years.

February 21, Rev. C. K. Drumheller informed me that he had resigned his charge at Hamburg, and accepted a call from Stone Valley charge, Pillow, Dauphin County.

Same date, Rev. Thos. Jaeger informed me that he had resigned Friedensburg Church to reduce the size of his charge, and to accommodate the Third Conference in wishing to connect Frieden's Church with Amityville, under the charge of Rev. U. I. Heilman.

March 5, Rev. J. W. Mattern informed me that he had resigned Grace Church in Phillipsburg, N. J., and accepted a call from St. John's Church, Stroudsburg.

Same date, Rev. B. F. Apple informed me that he had resigned Mt. Bethel pastoral charge, to accept a call from Salem Church, Lebanon. He subsequently informed me that the new congregation in Bangor refused to accept his resignation, and that with the consent of the church at Lebanon he had concluded to remain at Bangor, though at great personal sacrifice, in hope of speedily building up a self-sustaining congregation at that new and growing place.

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March 19, Rev. Thos. Steck informed me that he had resigned St. John's German Church at Phillipsburg, N. J.

November 4, Rev. S. S. Henry, of Hinkletown, resigned his charge, and accepted a call from the congregations at Jersey Shore.

April 25, Rev. J. W. Early informed me that he had resigned his charge at Danville, and accepted a call from the Trevorton charge made vacant by the resignation of Rev. H. T. Clymer on account of impaired health.

Rev. J. Rechtsteiner has received and accepted a call from the German Congregation at Mahanoy City, vacated by the resignation of Rev. Pohle. He comes to us from the Pittsburg Synod.

April 26, Rev. J. K. Plitt informed me that he had resigned the pastoral charge of St. Stephen's in West Philadelphia.

January 14, Rev. E. R. Cassaday was installed as the regular pastor of St. Peter's, Philadelphia.

In July last Rev. G. S. Seaman became the pastor of Christ Church, Elizabethtown.

April 30, Rev. G. F. Guensch informed me that he had resigned the German Zion's Church in Minersville, to take effect in August next.

May 3, Rev. B. M. Schmauck resigned the charge of St. Michael's Church in Allentown, and accepted a call to Salem's Church in Lebanon, which was served by him in former years.

NEW PASTORATES.

Bangor, one of the congregations belonging to the pastoral charge of Rev. B. F. Apple, has been made a separate parish, retaining Rev. Apple as pastor. The other congregations belonging to the Centreville district remain together as one pastorate as before.

The congregations at Summit Hill and Waverly have been advised to unite and call a pastor to serve them as one pastorate.

Trinity Church at Catasauqua has been united with Coplay to form a pastorate.

The German and English congregations at Phillipsburg, N. J., are advised to unite under one pastor.

Friedensburg has been connected with the church at Amityville as one charge, served by Rev. U. Heilman.

The church at Riverside, N. J., has been resigned by Rev. G. Miller and connected with Hainsport, N. J., to form a new pastorate, and New Germany, N. J., has been connected with Rev. Miller's charge.

NEW CONGREGATIONS.

A new congregation has been organized at Scranton under the charge of Rev. M. L. Zweizig, called Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Scranton. It has been received into this body by the Second Conference. The good promise of this new English Mission in the large and growing city of Scranton deserves the special encouragement and fosterage of the Ministerium, conferences, and churches, as it is the only English Lutheran congregation in the place, the full establishment of which is very important to our interests there.

CORNER-STONES FOR NEW CHURCHES LAID.

1. Lykens Valley, Rev. Hillpot, pastor.
2. Bangor, Rev. Apple, pastor.
3. Coplay, Rev. Schindel, pastor.
4. Easton, St. Luke's Chapel, Rev. Geissinger, pastor.
5. Albrightsville, Monroe County, Rev. Strauss, pastor.

DEDICATIONS OF NEW CHURCHES.

1. St. Luke's Chapel, Easton, November 8, Geissinger, pastor.
2. St. John's, Coplay, November 12, Schindel, pastor.
3. St. John's, Emaus, November 12, W. Rath, pastor.

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4. School-room of St. Paul's Church, Summit Hill, February 6, Strauss, pastor.
5. New Church at Mc.Keansburg, November 22, Rev. Erb, pastor.
6. Pikeland, Pa., January 4, without regular pastor.
7. St. Peter's, Philadelphia, October 15, Cassaday, pastor.
8. St. Mark's, Mechanicsburg, August 17, H. N. Fegley, pastor.
9. St. John's, Columbia, October 1, S. Yingling, pastor.

REOPENINGS AFTER REPAIRS.

1. St. John's, Allentown, July 16, Rev. Hill, pastor.
2. Church in Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County, September 17, Rev. Strauss, pastor.
3. St. John's, Howertown, November 5, Rev. Ziegenfuss, pastor.
4. St. John's, Catawissa, October 15, Rev. Neiman, pastor.
5. Church at Grimsville, November 28, Rev. Smoll, pastor.
6. Church at Pricetown, November 11, Spieker, pastor.

VACANCIES.

FIRST CONFERENCE.

1. St. Paul's, Chester, Pa.
2. Hainsport and Riverside, N. J.
3. Epiphany Mission, Camden, N. J., about to be supplied.
4. St. Stephen's, West Philadelphia, resigned by Rev. Plitt.
5. Pikeland, no regular pastor.

SECOND CONFERENCE.

1. Centreville, resigned by Rev. Apple.
2. Catasauqua and Coplay.
3. Phillipsburg, N. J.
4. St. Michael's, Allentown, resigned by Rev. Schmauck.

THIRD CONFERENCE.

1. Hamburg, resigned by Rev. Drumheller.

FOURTH CONFERENCE.

1. Salem, Lebanon, about to be supplied by Revs. Schmauck and son.
2. Congregation at Mt. Joy, without a regular pastor.
3. Hinkletown, about to be supplied.

FIFTH CONFERENCE.

1. Immanuel's, Williamsport, with prospect of being supplied.
2. St. John's, Danville, resigned by Rev. Early.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE MINISTERIUM.

1. Two ordained ministers of our church have applied to be received into our synodical connection—Rev. Jos. Rechtsteiner, of Mahanoy City, and Rev. D. M. Henkel, D.D., formerly of Indiana, Ill., now of Catawissa, Pa.
2. Ten students of the Philadelphia Theological Seminary have made application for ordination at this convention of the Ministerium.
3. Mr. E. Weisskopff, assistant missionary at Scranton, has likewise presented an application to be regularly ordained.

I have placed these applications in the hands of the Examining Committee to report concerning them to the ministerial session.

INSTITUTIONS.

The institutions under the care of the Ministerium will severally report in place whatever may be important, or require synodical attention or action.

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Nothing has yet been accomplished with reference to the securement of better accommodations of the Theological Seminary. But three professors have been on duty for most of the past annual term—two German and one English; and two professorships are now vacant—the Norton professorship and the St. John's professorship. With reference to the latter, I have received communications from an official committee of St. John's Church, complaining that said professorship has not been practically and formally perpetuated in the seminary for years past, and because of this, claiming the lawful interest on the funds credited to St. John's for said professorship during the interval of vacancy to be added to and counted on the principal; also claiming, according to the resolutions of the Ministerium in 1868, p. 38, and 1873, p. 23–25, the right, as yet unexercised by them, to designate the language and general sphere of studies to be assigned to said professorship, and signifying that the English language, and particularly Homiletics and sacred oratory, are desired by St. John's Church to be assigned as the language and general sphere of studies in connection with that professorship. These communications have been addressed to me as President of the Ministerium, and also as President of the Board of Directors of the seminary, and will require the attention of the Ministerium at its present convention.

FUNDS AND FINANCES.

For the details of receipts and expenditures on account of the Ministerium for the year past, and the condition of investments in his hands, you are referred to the report to be given by the Treasurer.

The account of the funds in the hands of the President, the receipts and disbursements, is herewith submitted for audit.

Most of the stocks, bonds, &c., belonging to these particular trusts were formerly entered in an individual name as trustee for the Ministerium. Thinking this a cumbrous method of holding these funds, and beset with possible trouble in case of accident to life, and as the Ministerium had caused the alteration of its corporate title, I have taken the precaution to have all such stocks, bonds, and mortgages entered simply in the new corporate name of the Ministerium, as fully competent in law and continuity to be its own trustee, and to hold these funds in its own name only.

The present condition of the entries requires a special resolution of the Ministerium authorizing its presiding officer to collect and receipt for what may be paid to him on or of these several investments placed particularly in his hands. A certificate to such resolution and to the person in the presidency at the time will then be sufficient legal authority for any President to act in the premises. A form of resolution to cover the case has been framed by advice of counsel, and is herewith submitted for your adoption.

Resolved, That the President of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered to collect, receive, and receipt for, in the name of the Ministerium, at all or any times whatever moneys as the principal sum or interests, income, or dividends on or of bonds, stocks, mortgages, or other forms of investment made in the name of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States and representing the Trust Funds, the distribution of the proceeds of which have been placed in the hands of the President of said Ministerium.

HOME MISSIONS AND BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

The particulars concerning this part of our synodical work will appear from the reports of the Executive Committee and the Board of City Missions.

The new arrangements made by the General Council, at its last meeting at Lancaster, Ohio, for the management of the general work of Home Missions will require some action of this Ministerium to adjust the proper means and agreements in the procurement and apportionment of funds for the two general committees—the one for the German and the other for the English languages. A special com-

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mittee has been constituted to consider and to lay before you some solution rendered necessary by the present status of the general Home Mission interest, and so to present the matter as that the Ministerium may intelligently decide what methods of procedure will best meet the case.

The committee on the fourth centenary of Luther's birth may have proposals to make with regard to what may be proper for the churches of the Ministerium in marking this 400th year of the great Reformer's coming into the world. It is a year which all Lutherans feel moved to signalize in some marked and special way in token of appreciation and gratitude for the unspeakable blessings God has vouchsafed to these last centuries through the faith, labors, and heroism of that man. And whatever else may be proposed, it is fitting and due that a good part of this worthy impulse should run in the channel of united and strong endeavor to strengthen and extend the Church which bears his name, especially in providing for the gathering together of the scattered members and children of that Church into regular congregations in which they can enjoy the means of grace as our Church dispenses them.

The Home Mission Work, in the new departure which has been instituted on that subject, would thus present itself as eminently deserving of special consideration in connection with this anniversary. And as the whole Lutheran world is stirring to express its regard for Luther and his evangelic labors and achievements, no better, holier, or more enduring memorial could be reared than by the making of liberal provisions for the vigorous planting of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in the new centres of population and influence everywhere springing up all over our great country. This would make our jubilation tell effectually on the generations to come after us. I therefore commend it specially to the earnest attention of the ministers and churches of our Synod at the present time.

DEATHS.

It remains to me to refer to the losses which the Ministerium has experienced in the death of three of its clergymen since the last convention.

Rev. L. G. Eggers, of Palmyra, a zealous and active servant of the Lord in the ministerial work, suddenly departed this life in Selinsgrove, October 30, 1882.

Rev. Charles Porterfield Krauth, D.D., LL.D., Professor of the Theological Seminary and Vice-Provost of the University of Pennsylvania, departed this life at his late residence in West Philadelphia, January 2, 1883, as lamented in his death as he was distinguished and beloved in his life.

Rev. B. C. Snyder, former pastor of the church at Pikeland, Chester Valley, and eight years ago ordained in the church in which we are now assembled, departed this life in Allentown on the evening of May 10, 1883.

It belongs to the committees appointed at the last convention of the Ministerium, for the conferences to which these brethren belonged, to present memoirs of their lives and services.

In February last I received an official communication from the English Secretary inclosing *a petition*, signed by more than two-thirds of the clerical members of this Ministerium, in the words following:

"We, whose names are hereto attached, many of whom were unable to attend the funeral of the late Dr. C. P. Krauth, hereby unite in the petition to Rev. Dr. Jos. A. Seiss, President of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, President of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, and for many years co-worker with the deceased in the cause of Evangelical Lutheranism, to deliver, at the next meeting of the Pennsylvania Synod, a MEMORIAL DISCOURSE on the life of our eminent and now lamented Rev. Dr. Charles Porterfield Krauth, LL.D."

To this petition I gave public reply in the columns of the *Lutheran* of March 8, returning my grateful acknowledgments for the manifestation thus made respecting myself, and for the profound respect thus evinced for the memory of departed

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worth and greatness, but declining to comply with the request, for the reason that the Ministerium had already assigned the duty of presenting to this convention something of such a memoir, and that I did not consider it proper in me to supersede that appointment, or to duplicate the work already put in other hands.

With thanks to the Ministerium which has entrusted me with these ministrations in its name and behalf, and praying God, through Jesus Christ our adorable Lord and Saviour, to send His Holy Spirit upon us in our several spheres and duties, and especially in the important transactions that await us in our present convention, I now return to you, with this report, the office of President of this venerable body.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

JOSEPH A. SEISS.

The annual election of the officers of Synod being in order, the President appointed the following persons to conduct the election: Revs. D. H. Geissinger, G. D. Foust, and Mr. C. D. Colloday.

While the tellers were out, Rev. J. Fry, D.D., Treasurer of the Ministerium, presented the

TREASURER'S REPORT.

J. FRY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA.

For the Synodical Year ending May 16, 1883.

I.—GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.	DR.	DISBURSEMENTS.	CR.
Contributions from Congs..	$11,421 75	Muhlenberg College.....	$1,000 00
G. W. Frederick, prem's on Eng. Catechisms.....	23 85	Interest on Sem. Loan.....	1,303 80
Brobst, Diehl & Co., prem's on Ger. Catechisms.....	20 00	Jungkurth Fund ret'd....	400 00
Ignatius Kohler, prem's on Ger. Catechisms (6 yrs.)	100 00	Deininger Bequest inves'd	1,000 00
Balance from last year.....	3,178 46	Transferred to Education..	2,593 84
		" Home Missions.....	5,060 76
		Transferred to Eng. Ch. Book Account.....	246 00
		Printing Minutes.....	497 66
		Treasurer's Salary.....	400 00
		Archivarius for Dr. German.....	100 00
		Expenses of Officers of Synod, Conferences, and Committees.....	145 08
		Exp's Delegate to N. Y. Ministerium.....	21 00
		Sexton at Philadelphia....	10 00
			$12,778 14
		Balance in Treasury.....	1,965 92
	$14,744 06		$14,744 06

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II.—EDUCATION FUND.

From General Fund.....	$2,593 84	Students in Theological Seminary.....	$1,850 00
Direct Contributions.....	1,186 29	Students in Muhlenberg College.....	2,200 00
Interest.....	37 00		
President's Legacies.....	100 00		
Money returned.....	132 87		
	$4,050 00		$4,050 00

III.—HOME MISSION FUND.

From General Fund.....	$5,060 76	Synodical Missions.....	$2,337 50
Direct Contributions.....	1,504 24	Philadelphia City Missions	2,687 50
For English G. C. Com....	142 42	G. C. English Committee..	1,192 42
" German " "	352 00	G. C. German Committee..	952 00
Interest.....	110 00		
	$7,169 42		$7,169 42

IV.—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Contributions from Congregations and Schools.....	$2,436 91	Paid Treas. Gen. Council	$2,724 41
Wernle Legacy Interest...	47 50	Paid F. J. McCready	60 00
Estate of Rev. C. F. Heyer	300 00		
	$2,784 41		$2,784 41

V.—PASTORS' WIDOWS AND ORPHANS FUND.

Contributions from Congregations.....	$114 76	Paid Widows.....	$350 00
Interest.....	30 00	Transferred to Seminary...	1,000 00
Balance from last year.....	1,851 48	Balance in Treasury.....	646 24
	$1,996 24		$1,996 24

VI.—ENGLISH CHURCH-BOOK ACCOUNT.

Transferred from General Fund.....	$246 00	Paid Treasurer of General Council.....	$200 00
Premiums during year.....	342 50	Balance in Treasury.....	388 50
	$588 50		$588 50

VII.—GERMAN HYMN-BOOK ACCOUNT.

From Sherman & Co.....	$906 04	Paid W. E. Hering for New Plates, Paper, and Printing.....	$1,100 84
From Publishing Committee.....	1,000 00	Balance in Treasury.....	805 20
	$1,906 04		$1,906 04

VIII.—GERMAN PROFESSORSHIP.

Contributions for Salary...	$603 50	Paid Prof. Wackernagel...	$598 50
Contributions, Endowment	20 00	Paid J. Reichard, College Treasurer.....	25 00
	$623 50		$623 50

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SUMMARY.

Received.		Expended.	
General Fund	$14,744 06	Synodical	$5,123 54
Education	1,456 16	Education	4,050 00
Home Missions	2,108 66	Home Missions	7,169 42
Foreign Missions	2,784 41	Foreign Missions	2,784 41
Pastors' Widows and Orphans	1,996 24	Pastors' Widows, &c.	1,350 00
English Church Book	588 50	General Council Treas.	200 00
German Hymn Book	1,906 04	German Hymn Book	1,100 84
German Professor	623 50	German Professor	623 50
	$26,207 57		$22,401 71
Theological Seminary	20,146 05	Theological Seminary	16,352 43
			$38,754 14
		Balance on hand	7,599 48
	$46,353 62		$46,353 62

The contributions of the congregations to these objects (exclusive of the German professorship) amounted to $17,290.46, contributed as follows:

Rev. J. G. Abele	$10 00	Rev. A. Finfrock	$116 00
" W. J. Andres	124 00	" C. G. Fischer	30 00
" W. J. Andres (for G. C. Miss. Com.)	14 00	" J. F. C. Fluck	10 00
" J. M. Anspach	125 00	" G. D. Foust	28 76
" B. F. Apple	155 12	" W. B. Fox	130 00
" E. A. Bauer	101 34	" S. A. K. Francis	100 00
" J. F. Bayer	56 00	" W. K. Frick	25 00
" J. L. Becker	125 00	" J. Fry	795 00
" F. P. Bender	75 00	" J. Fry (Eng. Miss. Com.)	75 00
" A. Berg	45 00	" Z. H. Gable	96 00
" F. Berkemeyer	118 00	" I. W. Gauker	30 00
" I. W. Bieber	219 00	" G. F. Gardner	21 76
" Wm. J. Bieber	150 00	" W. H. Geiger	50 00
" E. S. Brownmiller	50 00	" D. H. Geissinger	400 00
" G. A. Bruegel	100 00	" E. H. Gerhart	10 00
" H. H. Bruning	43 17	" E. H. Gerhart (Phœnixville)	53 34
" H. T. Clymer	19 50	" J. P. German	150 00
" C. J. Cooper	99 67	" H. Giesz	180 00
" J. J. Cressman	150 00	" H. Grahn	133 27
" J. J. Cressman (Eng. Miss. Com.)	40 00	" Dr. Greenwald	133 91
" J. A. Darmstaetter	46 00	" L. Groh	306 85
" J. C. Dizinger	35 00	" J. R. Groff	25 00
" C. K. Drumheller	28 00	" J. Gruhler	24 17
" H. T. Duensing	20 00	" G. F. W. Guensch	50 00
" J. W. Early	33 00	" G. C. H. Hasskarl	15 00
" F. Ehinger	15 13	" J. W. Hassler	107 50
" W. S. Emery	50 00	" T. Heilig	25 55
" I. N. S. Erb	130 00	" U. P. Heilman	100 00
" J. S. Erb	100 00	" F. T. Hennicke	40 00
" A. E. Erdman	60 00	" S. S. Henry	66 50
" H. N. Fegley	154 49	" R. Hill	300 00
" H. S. Fegley	102 25	" J. H. Hillpot	38 60

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Rev. G. A. Hinterleitner..	$102 00
" M. C. Horine	174 85
" F. K. Huntzinger.....	62 00
" P. Isenschmid.....	65 00
" J. Jaeger.....	177 93
" T. T. Iaeger.....	162 00
" F. A. Kaehler.....	117 00
" D. K. Kepner.....	200 00
" J. Kohler.....	25 00
" R. E. Kramlich	225 00
" M. J. Kramlich	11 00
" Dr. G. F. Krotel.....	500 00
" J. H. Kuder	7 00
" J. J. Kuendig.....	100 00
" J. J. Kuendig (Ger. Com.)	225 00
" D. Kuntz.....	100 00
" W. H. Kuntz	75 00
" J. J. Kuntz.....	100 00
" S. Laird.....	1,269 10
" W. H. Laubenstein...	30 00
" O. Leopold.....	250 00
" L. Lindenstruth.....	33 00
" Aug. Linsz.....	5 00
" A. J. Long.....	170 00
" Dr. W. J. Mann.....	720 39
" Dr. W. J. Mann (for Ger. Com.)	50 00
" D. M. Martens.....	53 00
" A. B. Markley.....	34 00
" J. W. Mattern.....	9 00
" F. P. Mayser.....	97 50
" F. P. Mayser(for Ger. Com.....	40 00
" G. F. Miller.....	10 00
" G. P. Mueller.....	15 00
" W. H. Myers.....	25 00
" Jacob Neff.....	30 00
" J. H. Neiman.....	85 80
" J. E. Nidecker.....	61 00
" S. E. Ochsenford.....	100 00
" J. F. Ohl.....	54 25
" J. F. Ohl (for Eng. H. M. Com.).....	20 42
" P. Pfatteicher.....	130 00
" A. P. Pfleuger.....	70 00
" J. G. Pfuhl.....	50 00
" J. K. Plitt.....	20 00
" Ed. H. Pohle.....	20 00
" Ed. H. Pohle(for Ger. Com.)	5 00
" J. B. Rath.....	83 60
" W. Rath.....	213 50
" D. E. Reed.....	5 00
" J. S. Renninger.....	300 00
" M. H. Richards.....	15 10
Rev. W. Rieb.....	$100 00
" W. Rieb (for Ger. Com.)	25 00
" D. Sanner.....	18 69
" Dr. C. W. Schaeffer...	25 00
" F. J. F. Schantz.....	125 00
" J. D. Schindel.....	150 00
" B. W. Schmauck.....	100 00
" J. H. Schmidt.....	27 00
" Dr. B. M. Schmucker	200 00
" G. S. Seaman.....	75 00
" H. E. Semmel.....	18 12
" E. E. Sibole.....	500 00
" J. L. Sibole.....	125 00
" Enoch Smith.....	153 90
" L. Smith.....	20 00
" O. P. Smith.....	150 00
" B. S. Smoll.....	80 00
" A. J. Spangenberg...	5 00
" Dr. A. Spaeth.....	246 00
" G. F. Spieker.....	19 00
" T. Steck.....	15 00
" D. M. Stetler.....	60 00
" A. M. Strauss.....	105 00
" W. H. Strauss.....	120 51
" G. A. Struntz.....	30 00
" G. H. Trabert.....	396 03
" D. D. Trexler.....	51 92
" J. Q. Upp.....	65 51
" J. H. Voss.....	20 00
" F. Walz.....	147 42
" J. F. Wampole.....	75 00
" A. J. Weddell.....	253 00
" A. Weicksel.....	79 57
" F. W. Weiskotten...	175 62
" C. F. Welden.....	25 00
" F. Wischan.....	183 78
" S. Yingling.....	10 00
" J. Zentner.....	50 00
" S. A. Ziegenfuss.....	125 00
" P. F. Zizelman.....	60 00
" B. D. Zweizig.....	100 00
" M. L. Zweizig.....	6 00
Pikeland Church.....	20 00
German Church, Manayunk.....	25 00
Altoona Congregation.....	15 53
Trinity, Lehighton.....	67 82
Collection at Synod.....	43 47
Collection, Dietrich Farewell Meetings in Reading and Philadelphia.....	66 10
	$17,290 46

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Additional contributions were received for the German professor in Muhlenberg College, as follows:

Rev. Dr. Krotel, $100; Rev. Dr. Mann, $50; Revs. W. J. Andres, W. Rieb, J. D. Schindel, J. S. Renninger, F. J. F. Schantz, P. Pfatteicher, G. A. Bruegel, W. Rath, and J. Fry, each $25; J. L. Becker and S. A. Ziegenfuss, each $20; E. A. Bauer and H. N. Fegley, each $15; F. P. Mayser, $12.50; J. W. Early, T. T. Iaeger, P. Isenschmid, J. J. Cressman, B. E. Kramlich, W. S. Emery, J. F. Bayer, I. W. Bieber, J. Q. Upp, W. B. Fox, G. A. Struntz, and J. F. Ohl, each $10; J. F. Wampole, $6; H. T. Duensing, D. Sanner, J. J. Kuntz, J. H. Neiman, W. H. Laubenstein, W. H. Kuntz, J. S. Erb, and D. M. Stetler, each $5.

The Treasurer also received during the year $500 from Mrs. Lewis Bremer, per Rev. Dr. Mann, her pastor, for the Endowment Fund of the Theological Seminary, and $300 additional from the estate of the late Rev. C. F. Heyer, per Rev. A. M. Whetstone, executor, also for the use of the seminary.

Respectfully submitted, JACOB FRY,

Reading, Pa., May 16, 1883. *Treasurer.*

This report was received and referred to an auditing committee consisting of Revs. J. F. Wampole, E. E. Sibole, J. M. Anspach, and Messrs. R. B. Miller and P. Stephany.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz, English Secretary of the Executive Committee, now read the

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee held its first meeting during the past synodical year in Philadelphia, Pa., and the three remaining stated meetings were held at Reading, Pa.

I.—EDUCATIONAL BUSINESS.

During the past year thirty-one students were aided in their preparation for the ministry from the funds of the Ministerium, viz.:

In Theological Seminary.—M. J. England, J. W. Klinger, J. H. Umbenhen, and W. Yeisly, of Senior Class; T. M. Angstadt, J. F. Baetis, G. C. Gardner, C. L. Halloway, J. W. Mohn, O. D. Miller, and F. J. McCready, of Middle Class; A. I. Heisler and I. K. Wismer, of Junior Class. Total, 13.

In Muhlenberg College.—F. Kayser, J. J. Kline, and J. H. Ritter, of Senior Class; W. J. Finck, J. J. Heissler, H. J. Kuder, J. J. Reitz, G. J. Schaeffer, G. M. Scheidy, S. G. Weisskotten, and W. F. Zuber, of Junior Class; F. H. Ehinger, R. B. Lynch, and W. Weicksel, of Sophomore Class; C. W. Jefferis, E. T. Kretschman, N. Schmidt, and H. K. Weaver, of Freshman Class. Total, 18.

The appropriations from the funds of the Ministerium to these students amounted to $1850 for students in Theological Seminary, and $2200 for students in Muhlenberg College. Total, $4050, besides the use of scholarships donated to the committee by the following: (1) Trinity Church; (2) Mr. W. A. Arnold; (3) Mr. S. H. Kutz; (4) St. James' Church of Reading; (5) Mr. Jacob Fegely; (6) Immanuel's Church of Pottstown; (7) Mr. George H. Reinoehl, of Lebanon; (8) Stanley Ulrich, Esq., of Lebanon, and Rev. A. S. Finfrock, of Womelsdorf. The use of these eight scholarships saved the Ministerium $400.

The reports of the scholarship and deportment of students were carefully examined. Whenever the committee considered it necessary to teach, to exhort, and to rebuke with authority, it charged one of its number to perform such duty.

According to instruction from Synod, the committee provided for the printing of Rules and Regulations concerning Beneficiary Education as amended at the last annual meeting of the Synod. The committee adopted necessary regulations touching the return of money loaned.

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The Rules and Regulations concerning Beneficiary Education as amended and printed were sent to each pastor, and the action as to returning money loaned is the following:

The Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium and Adjacent States, at its regular meeting at Reading, Pa., October 4, 1882, adopted with reference to II. Of Appropriations:

3. "The money loaned shall be repaid at such time and in such amounts as the recipient and the Executive Committee shall mutually agree upon. In case of inability to repay, the Executive Committee shall have authority to release in whole or in part from the obligation," the following resolutions:

I. That recipients of aid shall, after settlement in the ministry, return annually one hundred dollars of amount loaned.

II. When the income of the recipient is not sufficient, the amount to be paid annually may be reduced, with the consent of the Executive Committee.

III. When the annual income will not allow any repayment, a portion of the loan may be annually remitted by the Executive Committee.

IV. When any recipient of aid is engaged in missionary labor with the approval of the Executive Committee, the Executive Committee will annually give him credit for a portion of his indebtedness.

The Rules and Regulations as amended were signed by all of the beneficiaries receiving aid.

An appropriation of $1000 was made from the funds of the Ministerium for the support of Muhlenberg College, and one of $1000 for the support of the Theological Seminary during the year.

II.—HOME MISSIONS.

During the past synodical year aid was extended to twenty-six missions, located within the bounds of this Synod. Missions at Lancaster and Reading were aided directly by individual congregations in the respective places. Of these, 10 missions were under the control of the Board of City Missions, and the remaining 16 under the direct care of the Executive Committee. Phœnixville Mission has become self-sustaining. New mission fields were supplied. The visitation of the missions was attended to by the Presidents of the Conferences or their deputies, according to the action of the Executive Committee in compliance with the direction of Synod.

The missions under the direct care of the Executive Committee are the following:

IN THE FIRST CONFERENCE.

The New Jersey Mission Field.—Rev. George F. Miller, pastor. This mission consists now of Millersville, Vineland, and New Germany. The mission numbers about 150 members. The missionary was sick part of the year. He however prosecuted the work with diligence.

The appropriation to this mission was $250 for the year.

Hainsport and Riverside, N. J., have been united to form a mission field. The committee has voted an appropriation which will be paid as soon as a missionary is located.

Chester, Pa.—This mission numbers about 60 members. It was cared for at the beginning of the synodical year by Rev. E. H. Gerhard, who, however, accepted a call from the congregations at Phœnixville, Pa. The mission is without a pastor at present. The amount paid this mission to October 1, 1882, was $112.50.

Phœnixville, Pa.—The congregation at this place became self-sustaining after the resignation of the former pastor. Amount paid to mission $25 to July 1, 1882.

IN THE SECOND CONFERENCE.

Phillipsburg, N. J.—Rev. Thomas Steck, pastor. The congregation numbers more than one hundred members. It has a prosperous Sunday-school. The pastor has resigned and accepted a call from a congregation at another place. The

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congregation has been commended to the care of the Second Conference, with the request that arrangements be made for its supply, without aid from the Executive Committee. During the past year the appropriation to the support of this mission was $100.

Trinity Church, Catasauqua, Pa.—Rev. M. H. Richards, pastor. This congregation, which experienced many trials, is now cheered by the prospects of beholding a brighter day. Its valuable church property has been saved for it, and the debt now resting on it need not to be dreaded. The conference is arranging for the supply of this congregation in connection with a neighboring one, so that no aid need be asked for in future. The pastor has resigned, and efforts are in progress to secure a pastor to locate in the field. During the past synodical year $100 were appropriated to this field.

Eckley, Pa.—Rev. J. H. Schmidt (residing at Freeland, Pa.), pastor. This charge consists of four congregations in Luzerne County—at Eckley, Jeddo, Freeland, and Upper Lehigh. The missionary has been untiring in his labors during the past pear. His labors are crowned with success. During the past year he has also cared as he was able for new immigrants who settled in his field of labor. The appropriation to this field was $150 for the year.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—St. John's Church, Rev. W. A. Schaeffer, pastor. This congregation has had its severe trials in the past. The labors of its new pastor have met with encouraging success. The congregation and Sunday-school are increasing in the number of members, and are in a prosperous condition. The appropriation to this mission was $250 for ten months.

St. Peter's Church, at Petersburg, near Scanton, Pa.—This mission was placed in charge of Rev. P. F. Zizelman, under whose supervision Mr. E. Weiskopf, a lay worker, rendered efficient services at St. Peter's, at Petersburg, and at Taylorsville. The mission is prospering. The appropriation during the year was $100.

The English Mission at Scranton, Pa.—Rev. M. L. Zweizig, missionary. The prospects of the mission are brightening. A congregation has been organized, and a Sunday-school established. The support of the interest is secured by systematic contributions from those interested in the same.

The congregation greatly needs a regular church building. Negotiations are in progress to secure a lot for a church building. The combined efforts of all concerned may, by the blessing of God, lead to the growth of the interest. The appropriation to the mission was $400 for the year.

Pittston, Luzerne Co., Pa.—Rev. G. A. Struntz, pastor. The mission consists of three congregations—Pittston, Hampton, and Ransom. During the past year the work has prospered. The pastor had a call to an important field of labor, but he considered it his duty to remain in his present charge, in which his labors have been signally blest. The appropriation to this mission was $100.

Sand Cut, Wayne Co., Pa.—Rev. A. W. Walter, pastor. The mission consists of Grace Church at Sand Cut, Wayne County, and St. John's congregation at Clifton, Lackawanna County. The congregations and Sunday-schools are increasing in numbers of members. This mission is an important field, and with increased settlements in this section, its prosperity will not, by the blessing of God, be wanting. The mission is striving to become self-sustaining. The appropriation to this mission was $125.

Bangor, Northampton County, Pa.—Rev. B. F. Apple, pastor. This is a new mission requiring the careful attention of a resident pastor. The congregation was formerly served by the present pastor in connection with the Stone Church charge. The growth of Bangor is so rapid that to care properly for the interests of our Zion it was considered eminently in order to second the effort of the congregation to secure regular services on each Lord's day. The first appropriation to this field was made at the spring meeting of the Executive Committee at the rate of $200 for the year.

IN THE THIRD CONFERENCE.

Girardville, Schuylkill County, Pa.—Rev. W. M. Rehrig, pastor. This is a new mission in a very important field of labor—a town numbering between three and

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four thousand inhabitants. The labors of the missionary have so far been attended with remarkable success. The appropriation to this mission was $70 for six months.

IN THE FOURTH CONFERENCE.

There was no mission under the care of the Executive Committee.

IN THE FIFTH CONFERENCE.

Lykens, Pa.—Rev. M. B. Lenker, pastor. The field includes the interests at Lykens, Williamstown, Tower City, and Johnstown. This field has had its bright and its dark days. Its membership is fluctuating, owing to the many changes in the coal business. The work in the churches is, however, steadily prosecuted, and not without success. The appropriation to the mission was $150.

Middleburg, Snyder County, Pa.—Rev. D. E. Reed, pastor. This field of labor, with Middleburg as the centre of observation, includes a number of mission stations scattered over a large district of country. The field is large enough for the labors of two men, and the missionary in charge is constantly engaged in work. Thus far his labors have been marked by success. It is a field where patient labors for years may be necessary. The appropriation to this mission was $200 for the year.

Germania, Pa.—Rev. J. H. Voss, pastor. These congregations are in Potter and Tioga counties, viz., St. Matthew's in Germania, St. John's in Coudersport, and St. Paul's in Blossburg. Other points than these also receive the attention of the missionary. The constant, faithful care of the members of Christ's Church scattered in this region, as also labors among them not of Zion, is rewarded with encouraging signs of prosperity. Increased immigration to this section of country brings to the attention of the committee the necessity of increased labors and the appointment of more laborers. The appropriation to this field of labor was $200.

A number of applications have been made for aid of new mission stations within the bounds of the Synod. Aid has been promised to a number of missionaries, to date from the time of locating a missionary.

The Board of City Missions will submit a separate report of the missions under its care.

The amount appropriated by the Executive Committee and expended in the support of these 26 missions during the year was $5025. Of this sum, $2337.50 were expended on the 16 missions under the direct care of the Executive Committee, and $2687.50 on the missions under the control of the Board of City Missions.

HOME MISSIONS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

At the first meeting of the Executive Committee in the present synodical year, members of the German Home Mission Committee of the General Council were present, and were afforded an opportunity to present their claims of the interest they represented. After a full presentation of what the committee had done, and purposed to do, the Executive Committee

Resolved, That the care of the Home Mission Field in Texas, committed to the care of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania by the General Council, be transferred, as far as the German work is concerned, to the German Home Mission Committee of the General Council.

Resolved, That the Texas Synod be informed of the above transfer.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay to the German Home Missionary Committee of the General Council $150 for the present, additional to the $300 for Texas.

The work in Nebraska was next discussed, and as it was agreed that there should be a co-operation with synods already in the field, no resolutions appropriating moneys were offered or adopted.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee in January of this year, Home Mission Work of the General Council, entrusted at its meeting in November, 1882, at Lancaster, Ohio, to three committees, viz., "The German Home Missionary Committee," "The English Home Missionary Committee," and "The Scandina-

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vian Home Missionary Committee," was brought to the attention of the Executive Committee, and after a careful consideration of the subject, the committee

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to review the arrangements for raising and appropriating moneys to Home Missions, so as to provide for the work within our Synod, and the special claims and work of the committees of the General Council, and submit a plan at the next meeting of the Executive Committee. *Committee*, Revs. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., J. A. Seiss, D.D., J. J. Kuendig, and Messrs. A. W. Potteiger and A. Bendel.

This committee was instructed at the last meeting of the Executive Committee to present its report at the present annual meeting of Synod.

The contributions toward Home Mission Work of the General Council by the Executive Committee were $900 for the missions in Chicago, Ill., $300 for the traveling missionary in Texas, $300 to the German Home Mission Committee, and $150 to the English Home Mission Committee. Total, $1650. A number of congregations contributed directly to the work of these committees, of which the Executive Committee is, however, unable to account.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The contributions for Foreign Missions during the year were $2784.40.

AUDITING THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS, AND THE TREASURER'S SALARY.

The Treasurer's account was audited according to the directions of Synod, at quarterly meetings, and found correct.

The Treasurer's salary was renewed for the next three years at $400 per annum.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE MEETINGS AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF SYNOD.

At the Luther Jubilee.—Thursday evening, May 17, 1883. Speakers, Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., and Rev. G. F. Spieker.

At the Missionary Meeting.—Friday evening, May 18, 1883. Speakers, Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., and Rev. F. Wischan.

At the Orphan Home Meeting.—Saturday evening, May 19, 1883. Speakers to be appointed by officers of Orphans' Home Board of Trustees from members of the Ministerium.

At the Meeting in the Interest of Education and Educational Institutions.—Monday evening, May 21, 1883. Speakers, Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., and Rev. B. Sadtler, D.D.

The following action was taken on the subject of Systematic Beneficence;

"*Resolved*, That the Synod be informed that in the opinion of the Executive Committee the discussion of the subject of Systematic Beneficence should be in order at an afternoon business session of Synod rather than at an evening public meeting. The request of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence that Rev. C. J. Cooper and Rev. E. E. Sibole respectively present the subject and open the discussion was favorably considered."

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. F. SCHANTZ, *English Secretary.*

This report was received and adopted.

The tellers, Revs. O. P. Smith, W. H. Kuntz, and Mr. H. Johnston, reported the following as elected members of the Executive Committee:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. J. J. Kuendig,	Mr. A. W. Potteiger,
" F. J. F. Schantz,	" A. Bendel,
" B. Sadtler, D.D.,	" T. H. Diehl,
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.,	" L. H. Liess,
" T. T. Iaeger.	" W. A. Henry.

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The tellers reported the re-election of the officers of Synod, viz.: President, Rev. Joseph A. Seiss, D.D.; English Secretary, Rev. M. C. Horine; German Secretary, Rev. W. Wackernagel; Treasurer, Rev. J. Fry, D.D.

The President now announced the following

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

I.—*Official Reports.*

1. Report of the President, followed by election of officers.
2. " " Treasurer.
3. " " Executive Committee—Election.
4. " " Philadelphia City Mission—Election.
5. " " Secretaries on Unfinished Business.
6. " " " of Conferences.
7. " " Directors of the Seminary—Election.
8. " " Trustees of Muhlenberg College—Election.
9. " " Trustees of Orphans' Home—Election.
10. " " Delegates to General Council—Election.
11. " " Delegate to New York Ministerium—Election.
12. " " Archivarius.

II.—*Committee Reports.*

13. Report of Committee on Systematic Beneficence.
14. " " Church Book.
15. " " Muhlenberg Memorial.
16. " " Luther Commemoration.
17. " " Contracts.
18. " " Charter.
19. " " Wollenweber Hymn Book.
20. " " Publication House.
21. " " Support of Disabled Ministers.
22. " " Ministerial Roll.
23. " " Lay Preachers.
24. " " of Visitors to Emmaus Orphanage.
25. " " on German Professorship.
26. " " Biographical Sketches (Necrologues).

III.—*Reports of the New Committees appointed by the President—1-8.*

IV.—*Miscellaneous Reports.*

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Rev. H. Grahn now read the Report on City Missions. It reads as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CITY MISSIONS OF PHILADELPHIA.

By the grace of our Lord we are again permitted to report on the work of another year in our City Missions. We have again been favored with a smile of the Divine blessing, for which we owe unto God our humble gratitude. Especially notable and gratifying is the fact that one of our English congregations, St. Stephen's, at West Philadelphia, under the pastoral care of Rev. J. Plitt, after protracted support on the part of Synod, has since New-Year become self-supporting, hence not any longer under the care of our Mission Board. Also that the English St. Peter's congregation have succeeded in obtaining a church of their own.—There remain under the care of your board five English and four German congregations.

A.—ENGLISH CONGREGATIONS.

1. *St. Paul's*, at 22d Street above Columbia Avenue.—Rev. W. K. Frick, pastor. The congregation numbers 150 communicant members, with 8 officers, 27 teachers, and 263 children in the Sunday-school. The congregation is in a favorable condition, but has been visited during the winter by considerable sickness and death of some of its members. The inclement weather has also had an unfavorable influence on the Easter communion, while the daily services during Passion Week and Good Friday were well attended. The congregation received $300 assistance.

2. *Christ Church*, at Chestnut Hill, under the care of C. J. Hirzel, with 100 members, 10 Sunday-school teachers, and 75 children. While the congregation shows no increase in members during the year, it is nevertheless gratifying to acknowledge an improvement—that is, the reduction of their debt from $1900 to $1500.

3. *St. Peter's*, Reed Street, between 8th and 9th.—Rev. E. R. Cassaday, pastor. The congregation numbers 80 members, 17 teachers, and 233 Sunday-school scholars. Mr. Cassaday, who had served the congregation as supply, and during this time conducted the building of the church edifice with wisdom and energy, has been definitely elected pastor, and installed as such on the 14th day of January, 1883. St. Peter's Church was solemnly dedicated to the service of the Triune God, October 8, 1882. It appears that, as we hoped, by the grace of God, a change for the better has taken place, as indicated by the report of the missionary, which states that within the last quarter 14 members by certificate and 13 by confirmation have been added to the church. May it be given to this congregation "to grow in grace before God and man." The assistance amounted to $350.

4. *Church of the Advent*, 5th Street above Cumberland.—Rev. J. F. C. Fluck, pastor. The congregation numbers 165 members, 16 teachers, and 182 scholars in Sunday-school. The congregation enjoys life and prosperity. The number of members has increased by 50, and scholars by 33; while we regret to add the indebtedness of the congregation has also increased several hundred dollars. $300 were appropriated.

5. *Church of the Epiphany*, Camden, N. J.—The last official reports date from the fall of 1882, and state a membership of 70, with a Sunday-school of 16 teachers and 250 scholars. We deplore that on account of the resignation of the Rev. J. L. Sibole the mission could only be imperfectly supplied by students of the seminary, and that under such circumstances the growth of a young mission must necessarily be impaired. We hope, however, that under the care of candidate Binder, who has been elected by the congregation as pastor, a vigorous and healthy development of this interesting mission may take place. For this mission $300 were appropriated, of which, however, only $, up to the leaving of Rev. Mr. Sibole, has been paid.

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B.—GERMAN CONGREGATIONS.

1. *St. Peter's*, Myrtle Street, West Philadelphia.—Rev. C. F. Welden, pastor. The number of members is 100, with 16 teachers and 100 scholars in Sunday-school. Concerning the general condition of the congregation, our reverend father says: "I feel warranted in saying that notwithstanding the physical infirmities which have considerably interfered with my pastoral activity, the congregation is now in a healthy condition, and affords good hope of permanency, as well as of increase in time to come." The assistance rendered was $300

2. *Immanuel's Church*, Frankford.—Rev. M. Schimpf, pastor. This congregation has 123 members, 17 teachers, and 115 scholars in Sunday-school. Eight persons were added by confirmation on Easter. The congregation is enjoying a season of peace and prosperity under the faithful labors of its pastor and the gracious blessings of our Heavenly Father. $175 were appropriated.

3. *St. Thomas'*, Germantown.—Rev. C. G. Fischer, pastor. There are in this church 116 members, 11 teachers, and 85 Sunday-school scholars. The congregation made a renewed effort to gradually wipe out its indebtedness, amounting to $500. The outlook in general is a very favorable one. The missionary states that at the Easter communion 97 participated—a number which had never before been reached—among whom were found 20 newly arrived emigrants from the fatherland. Eight new families have been united with the church. This mission received $250.

4. *Trinity*, Rising Sun.—Rev. A. Linsz, pastor. This mission has 110 members, 10 teachers, and 90 children in the Sunday-school. This seems to be the most sterile field of our mission territory, and yet it needs to be faithfully cultivated, for its souls are also precious in the sight of God. With much devotedness and under many discouragements its pastor has labored. May our prayers strengthen and encourage him, and the blessings of God accompany his precious word. The amount appropriated was $300.

The aggregate of money spent for City Missions amounted to $2687.50, showing a saving of $ compared with the preceding year.

Let us, with ready devotedness and conscientiousness, continue to nurse and prosecute the work in this important part of our Home Missionary Field, though the development and growth seems to be a slow one, connected with peculiar difficulties of its own, yet we dare hopefully look into the future, though it may be remote, for so much the richer fruits of our labors in the Lord.

H. GRAHN,
President of Board of City Missions.

This report was received.

Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of City Missions in Philadelphia be instructed to propose such action as will in their opinion secure a greater interest in this work on the part of all the city congregations, and also to consider whether the work could not be carried on more successfully by separating the administration of the English and German Missions.

It was carried.

Rev. Fr. Wischan moved that a special committee be appointed on the City Mission Work, and that said committee shall report in course of the sessions of this Synod. Also, that the above resolution of Rev. Dr. A. Spaeth be referred to this committee. It was carried.

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The committee consists of Revs. S. Laird, A. Spaeth, D.D., J. K. Plitt, and Mr. J. Schlegelmilch, W. H. Staake, Esq., and Mr. C. D. Colloday.

The hours for meeting were fixed at 9 A.M. and 2 P.M., and for adjourning at 12 M. and 5 P.M.

The hour for adjourning having arrived, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. F. Walz, of Sellersville.

SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY, May 18, 1883, 9 A.M.

Synod was opened with Divine services conducted by Rev. Z. H. Gabel, of Reading.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The President announced the following

REGULAR COMMITTEES.

1. *On the President's Report.*—Revs. G. F. Krotel, D.D., W. Rath, J. K. Plitt, J. J. Kuendig, F. Berkemeyer, J. G. Groff, and Messrs. R. A. Baer, J. J. Frank, H. Lehman, S. S. Daub.

2. *On the President's Account.*—Revs. J. Kohler, E. A. Bauer, and A. J. Weddell.

3. *On Discipline.*—Revs. A. Spaeth, D.D., C. J. Kooper, B. F. Apple, J. A. Darmstaetter, and W. A. Staake, Esq., Prof. D. F. Boyer, and Mr. Jonas Laubenstein.

4. *On Ministerial Business.*—Revs. W. J. Mann, D.D., J. W. Hassler, T. T. Iaeger, E. Smith, and J. Gruhler.

5. *On Excuses.*—Revs. I. N. S. Erb, E. L. Reed, P. Pfatteicher, H. H. Bruning, and Messrs. H. Michael and L. H. Liess.

6. *On Reception of Congregations.*—Revs. C. W. Schaeffer, D.D., G. A. Bruegel, B. E. Kramlich, J. G. Pfuhl, J. W. Early, and Messrs. A. K. Michler, Isaac Erb, and A. Bendel.

7. *On Parochial Reports.*—Revs. W. A. Schaeffer, J. W. Bieber, G. D. Foust, H. S. Fegley, D. K. Kepner, and Dr. F. W. Heckel, Mr. H. Kellner, and M. L. Kohler, Esq.

The Report of the Secretaries on Unfinished Business was now taken up:

1. The Report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence was deferred to a later session.

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2. The Committee on Charter for Congregations reported progress, and was continued.

3. The Committee on Conferences was not prepared to report, and was continued.

4. Rev. F. J. F. Schantz reported on behalf of the Visitors to Emmaus Orphan Home as follows:

REPORT OF THE VISITORS OF THE EMMAUS ORPHAN HOME.

The committee appointed by Synod would respectfully report that the Emmaus Orphan Home, at Middletown, Dauphin County, Pa., was visited May 13, 1883.

The trustees are Messrs. J. E. Carmany, Henry Alleman, C. W. Eshelman, and Adam Ulrich. The principal of the institution is Mr. W. A. Croll, and the tutor Prof. Lauman.

The orphans in the institution number twenty-seven, and two more have lately received the promise of admission.

The Orphan Home is beautifully located about three-fourths of a mile west from Middletown. The new building erected some years ago is conveniently arranged for the accommodation of about one hundred orphans.

The institution is supported by means of the income from three farms, the rental of a mill property, and the ground-rent of town lots in Middletown—all bequeathed by Mr. Frey, the founder of the home, a copy of whose will is herewith submitted, to be filed in the archives of Synod, if the Synod approve.

The income during the last year amounted to about $5700. The building of a new barn cost between three and four thousand dollars. The trustees had to loan $2800, but of this $1000 have been repaid, and the hope is entertained that $500 more will be repaid shortly. Of the $5700 received as income, $1600 were paid as salaries of principal, tutor, matron, servants' wages, trustees' allowance, and current expenses. $3151 were paid as expenses of Orphan Home.

As all the buildings are now in good condition, the income should afford the support of a larger number of orphans, and the expectation is entertained that the number may be increased to 30 or 40 orphans.

The Orphan Home is kept in a very good condition. In the last twelve years there has been no death at the institution.

The brief examination of the orphans was very satisfactory. Five of the orphans were confirmed lately in the Lutheran Church at Middletown. The introduction of some of our excellent Lutheran books would be of great benefit to the home.

The annual account of the financial affairs of the institution is submitted to the court of Dauphin County. The account is signed by the trustees as having examined the account and approved of it. The principal who renders the account is required to make an affidavit to the correctness of the same. The notice of the filing of the account is published in one paper at Harrisburg and one at Middletown, so that any parties desiring to examine the same and to present objections may have an opportunity to do so. If no objections are presented, the court confirms the account.

Respectfully submitted.

It was accepted and adopted.

The same visitors were reappointed, excepting Rev. G. H. Trabert, who has removed to Minneapolis. Rev. G. S. Seaman was appointed in his place, and Rev. J. G. Pfuhl was added to the committee. The committee is constituted as follows: Revs. F. J. F. Schantz, H. N.

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Fegley, G. S. Seaman, J. G. Pfuhl, Mr. John R. Baker, and Charles H. Schaeffer, Esq.

Rev. H. B. Strodach now read the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCES.

This committee respectfully submits the following report:

I.—MEETINGS.

The meetings prescribed by the constitution were held by all the conferences during the past year, and it is gratifying to be able to report that all these meetings were exceptionally well attended by pastors and laymen.

II.—CONSTITUTION FOR CONGREGATIONS.

On the first subject referred by the Synod to the conferences, viz., the examination of the constitutions for congregations (Eng. Min., 1882, p. 44):

The First Conference reports "progress."

The Second Conference put the matter into the hands of a committee, this committee presented the annexed report, and this report was adopted by the conference, viz.:

"We have examined the constitution, and in respect to substance have found it entirely satisfactory. The doctrinal position maintained and the Church policy upheld in it recommend themselves as entirely scriptural and Lutheran. But whilst the constitution possesses these praiseworthy qualities, your committee feels constrained to say that the form and style are not so satisfactory. It seems to lack that simplicity and directness of statement which are necessary (especially in the case of laymen) to quick and easy comprehension, and for the avoidance of different and contradictory interpretations. This defect is especially noticeable in the paragraphs "on the duties of church members," in which unmistakable clearness and preciseness are particularly desirable. It is therefore recommended that the entire document be rewritten by some practical hand; that whilst the essential contents are retained, the form and style may be changed to meet the requirements."

The Third Conference again reports the resolution reported a year ago, viz.:

Resolved, That we recommend to Synod that Sec. 3, Art. II., of the Constitutions for Congregations, etc., should be so changed in specifying the duties of members that only such duties be specified the violation of which would subject the offender to the discipline of the Church, and to this end these duties should be specified in a clearer and more definite manner.

This resolution was also adopted by the First Conference.

The Fourth Conference also entrusted the matter to a committee which, failing to report, was discharged.

The Fifth Conference reports that this constitution was heartily approved by the conference at its spring meeting in April, 1882.

III.—CONSTITUTION FOR CONFERENCES.

On the second item referred by Synod (Eng. Min., p. 44, 1882), the constitution for conferences, no action seems to have been taken by four of the conferences, probably because of the action taken by Synod later in the session which directs the committee having this matter in charge to report at the present meeting of the Synod.

The Fifth Conference discussed all the amendments not yet adopted by Synod, and approved all the changes proposed. With reference to Sec. 95 it was resolved to suggest to Synod that the section shall read, "any member of the Ministerium" instead of "a minister recently ordained."

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IV.—SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEXT-BOOKS.

On the third item referred by Synod, viz., the preparation of suitable Sunday-school text-books:

The First Conference reports "that it is the sentiment and wish of this conference that the Synod should make an arrangement for the preparation or selection of a graded series of instruction books in Bible-History and teachings for the use of our Sunday-schools.

The Second Conference reports that it has come to the conclusion that the time had not yet arrived for the introduction of a definite course of studies, and considered the introduction into all schools as impossible.

The Third Conference reports, first, that in its judgment a seven years' course is neither desirable nor practicable; and second, that the Bible-Histories and catechisms are preferable, and therefore suggest that they be adopted in our Sunday-schools.

The Fourth Conference has appointed a committee to report at its fall session.

The Fifth Conference considers the plan suggested by the Synod's committee "utterly impracticable for our Sunday-schools."

V.—CHANGES IN THE CATECHISMS.

On the fourth item submitted to the conferences by Synod (Eng. Min., 1882, p. 61), whether changes should be made in the catechism issued in German and English by this Ministerium, and in the catechism edited by the Rev. Drs. Mann and Krotel:

The First Conference substantially reports progress.

The Second Conference did nothing.

The Third Conference directed its secretary to report that seventeen of its pastors use the catechism issued by the Ministerium, ten the Drs. Mann and Krotel, and two the Ludwig catechism.

The Fourth Conference had appointed a committee to ascertain the wishes of the pastors in this matter; as none were reported to the committee, and it had none of its own, the committee was discharged.

The Fifth Conference had also appointed a committee, which, for want of time, failed to make a thorough examination of the matter; this committee was continued, and asked to report more definitely at the next meeting of conference.

VI.—UNION CHAPELS.

The First District Conference having occasion to consider a complaint against a pastor who had preached in and dedicated a Union Sunday-school Hall, expressed its disapprobation of the act, and urged its pastors and congregations to discountenance all works of this kind. To this was added the following resolution:

Inasmuch as similar public chapels have been erected in other parts of our Synod, we recommend that conference present this matter to Synod, that it may express its judgment on this matter.

VII.—OFFICE OF OVERSIGHT.

The Second District Conference having considered certain theses in the "office of permanent oversight," and having appointed a committee to consider what changes in the constitution of the Synod and conferences might be necessary to secure such an office, directed that the following be reported to Synod:

Section 35 of the constitution to be amended thus: The President shall continue in office from year to year, without annual re-election, unless removed for sufficient cause by a vote of two-thirds of the members of Synod. He shall devote his entire time to his office of oversight, and shall not be in charge of an individual congregation. He shall receive an adequate salary for his services, and his official expenses shall be paid by the Synod. The other officers shall continue in office until in the next annual meeting of the Synod new officers have been elected. They are re-eligible. The secretaries, however, shall not hold the same office

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more than three years in succession, unless the Synod re-elect them by a four-fifths vote of all the members present. This amendment shall go into force at the election for officers taking place at the annual meeting of Synod first after its adoption. The President then elected shall continue in office as permanent President.

Section 103, add: But any conference of this Synod may continue its president permanently in office, and provide him with an adequate salary, as in the case of the President of Synod.

The conference also appointed a committee to determine upon a satisfactory arrangement between Mr. E. Weisskopf and the congregation in Petersburg, and to report the result to the present meeting of this body.

H. B. STRODACH, *Sec. 1st Con.*
J. M. ANSPACH, *Eng. Sec. 2d Con.*
L. LINDENSTRUTH, *Ger. Sec. 2d Con.*
I. N. S. ERB, *Sec. 3d Con.*
H. N. FEGLEY, *Sec. 4th Con.*
S. E. OCHSENFORD, *Sec. 5th Con.*

This report was received and considered item by item.

I. *On Meetings*, was adopted.

II. *On the Constitution for Congregations*, it was resolved to appoint a committee to report at the next meeting of Synod. It was further resolved that this report be transmitted, as soon as prepared, to the conferences for consideration. This committee consists of the following members: Revs. G. F. Krotel, D.D., W. J. Mann, D.D., and H. E. Jacobs, D.D.

III. *On Constitution for Conferences*, it was resolved that the change herein proposed, and all other changes proposed by conferences in their constitutions, be sent to the Committee on Constitution of the Ministerium and Conferences. This committee is the same as that appointed under item VII.

IV. *On Sunday-school Text-books*, was laid on the table.

V. *On Changes in the Catechisms*, was continued for further consideration by the conferences.

VI. *On Union Chapels*, it was resolved that the action of the First Conference be approved; that the principle set forth apply elsewhere in the Synod, and that congregations also be enjoined to observe it.

VII. *On Oversight*, it was resolved that a committee be appointed to revise the Constitution of the Ministerium and of the Conferences, and that the changes proposed by the Second Conference be referred to this committee. This committee is to be appointed by the officers of Synod, and is instructed to report, if possible, at the next meeting of Synod. It was carried.

This committee consists of the following members, the President being chairman by resolution:

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Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D.,	W. H. Staake, Esq.,
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.,	Dr. John Rommel.
" A. Spaeth, D.D.,	
" J. Fry, D.D.,	
" H. Grahn.	

This report was adopted as a whole.

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., Archivarius of the Ministerium, presented the Report of the Archivarius. It reads as follows:

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVARIUS OF SYNOD.

To the Reverend the President of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States:

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR,—Permit me to lay before you a report concerning the *archives* of this reverend body, and all that during the last synodical year was done in behalf of those archives which are entrusted to my care.

The *minutes in writing* of this Ministerium are there in good order and in strong binding, and extend, in five large folios, over the period 1781 to 1879. They are a rich source for future historical inquiry about the history of the Church in this country, referring, in their earlier communications, to the wide expanse from the State of New York to the Carolinas in the South, and Ohio in the West. The first volume is now in the hands of the Rev. Dr. B. M. Schmucker, who makes conscientious use of it for historical researches.

The documents, letters, reports, etc., which during the preceding synodical year came into my hands in a somewhat chaotic condition, forming a large number of convolute bundles, and representing the extended period of 1801 up to the present time, I endeavored to bring into proper order. All those papers are now stretched out in level shape and chronologically, and according to their contents arranged as well as their condition allowed. The papers referring to each respective year of that whole period are, by a strong piece of pasteboard, labeled so as to indicate the year and the locality of the meeting of Synod, separated from one another. A suitable number of years are, in chronological order, deposited in strong pasteboard boxes, properly labeled, and every document is perfectly accessible at any moment. There are now twenty-six such boxes.

It is a lamentable fact that the papers representative of a number of years (1817, 1861–1864, 1877–1880, are missing. I indulge in the hope to be able at least here and there to fill up the gaps. It is to be kept in view that the documents deposited in the archives of Synod contain much that is not found in the printed minutes.

Special value must be attached to a considerable number of smaller prints, referring to a period considerably removed from our time, which here and there are found deposited between papers belonging to the archives, and throw light upon various questions in those times agitating the church. Much interest attaches also to a number of diaries or journals kept by missionaries which, as itinerant ministers, were sent out by our Synod, or were active under its supervision, visiting the dispersed members of the Church in South and West, and gathering them into congregations.

I should feel happy if I would succeed in collecting a complete series of the printed minutes of this Ministerium. It would form an interesting addition to the archives.

The Synod appropriated, at its last meeting, a sum of money in behalf of procuring from the archives at Halle copies of documents, letters, etc., referring to the establishment of the Church in this country. To that liberal act we owe it

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that there are now in our hands 1400 quarto pages of such copies, and a very large number of additions to the first edition of the Halle Reports, supplementing these reports from the original manuscripts.

There is hope that the archives of Synod may, after my retirement from my present pastoral office, be kept in desirable safe-keeping in Zion's Church, until at a time, as I hope not very far distant, they may find a lasting place in a fire-proof vault of a new seminary building such as this Ministerium ought to possess.

Most respectfully yours,

W. J. MANN, *Archivarius.*

Philadelphia, Pa., May 17, 1883.

This report was accepted with an expression of the hearty thanks of this Synod to the Archivarius for his faithful and efficient services.

It was now resolved that we hold a Ministerial Session at a quarter before two o'clock to-day.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., offered the following:

Inasmuch as Rev H. S. Miller is unable to attend this Synod on account of the infirmities of age, therefor-

Resolved, That the secretaries communicate to him the affectionate salutations and sympathies of the Synod for him in his advanced years and infirmities.

It was carried.

Synod now adjourned with prayer by Rev. G. A. Hinterleitner, of Pottsville.

THIRD SESSION.

FRIDAY, May 18, 1883, 2 P.M.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. H. Grahn, of Philadelphia.

The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. E. Greenwald, D.D., now presented to the Ministerium Revs. Joseph Rechtsteiner and D. M. Henkel, D.D., who were received as members of this Synod at the Ministerial Session. Rev. G. F. Spieker then presented the young men who were received for ordination, to whom the President made some appropriate remarks.

Mr. Geo. Sheimer was received as delegate from the Epiphany Church in Camden, N. J.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., then read the Report of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary. It reads as follows:

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The annual meeting of the Directors of the Theological Seminary was held on Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-week, May 14 and 15, 1883. There were present 14 clerical and 9 lay Directors of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, and 1 clerical and 2 lay Directors of the Ministerium of New York.

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The Senior Class in the Seminary during last year consisted of 11 regularly matriculated students, 1 hospitant, and 1 who, after being two years in the Seminary, spent most of the last year at the University of Erlangen, but returned for the final examination.

In the Middle Class were 8 students, 5 hospitants, and two others.

In the Junior Class were 16 regular, 6 hospitants, and two other students.

The whole number of students in the Seminary was 52. Twelve of the students were, upon the recommendation of the Faculty, admitted to graduation.

The whole of the first day was devoted to the examination of the students of all the classes, but especially of the Senior Class. The results of the written examination which had been made the preceding week were submitted to the Board, as well as the notations made by the Faculty in the case of each. The Board had occasion to be gratified by the results in general of the examination.

The Treasurer's report shows receipts as follows: Contributions from congregations, $228.09; from individuals, $75; from the Pittsburg Synod, $45; from N. Y. Ministerium, $15; interest on investments, $6521.96; rents of houses, $320; Seib legacy transferred, $100; from Widows' and Orphans' Fund, $1000; total, $8305.05. Expenditures: Salaries of professor, $4850; janitor, $125; fuel, $423.25; gas, $332.08; water rent, $40; stoves, &c., $828.70; repairs and supplies, $241.90; library and librarian, $150; miscellaneous, $24.82; deficit last year, $386.68; Father Heyer's bequest transferred to endowment, $550; total, $7952.43. Balance in treasury, $352.62.

Endowment Account.—Subscriptions paid, $1180; investments paid back, $5100; Mrs. Bruner, $500; Father Heyer's estate, $300; transferred from general account, $550; total, $7630; balance, last year, $4211. In full, $11,841. Investments made on first mortgage, $7300; Muhlenberg College second mortgage bonds, $1000; Seib legacy transferred to general account, $100; total, $8400. Balance on hand, $3441.

Several communications from St. John's Church, Philadelphia, with reference to the St. John's Professorship, were communicated by the President of the Board, to whom they had been addressed. A committee was appointed to confer with the Board of Officers of St. John's Church, and to report to the Officers of the Seminary Board, who should lay the result before the Synod through this report.

The officers were instructed to direct the attention of the Ministerium to the vacancy in the Norton Professorship, caused by the death of Dr. C. P. Krauth, and to the necessity of filling it at this meeting of the Ministerium by the election of an incumbent. Dr. W. J. Mann resigned the office of house-father, which he has held for a number of years, on account of his intended removal to West Philadelphia. The thanks of the Board were returned him for his generous and careful service. He was requested to continue, in so far as he was able, to discharge the duties of the office until arrangements were made by the Board, or Synod for them.

The Officers of the Board and the Faculty were appointed to examine whether any measures could be taken toward the erection of a new Seminary building. At a meeting held by them a sub-committee was appointed to consider the question of a suitable location. Nothing has occurred or been done thus far which has called for the decision of the Board, or which can be submitted to the Ministerium.

The term of service of 5 clerical and 5 lay directors expires at this time.

The committee appointed to confer with the committee or Board of St. John's Church, with reference to the papers transmitted by them to the Directors of the Seminary through the President, would respectfully report:

The papers referred to them are entered in the proceedings of the Directors of the Seminary, and at the desire of the Ministerium will be read, but scarcely need to be incorporated in full in this report. The chief points raised in them, about several of which conference was to be had, were the following:

That at the time of the establishment of the Professorship St. John's Church had moneys on hand which they proposed to retain and allow interest to accrue on them, but at the solicitation of friends of the Seminary paid them over to the

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Treasurer of the Seminary under a specific agreement with the Synod (Minutes 1873, p.) that the sum of $24,120 should be accepted for the time as an endowment, the remainder to be paid in future as the congregation was able to raise it, and that until then the amount needed for the support of the incumbent beyond the interest on the amount of their endowment should be furnished by the Ministerium. That there were accorded to the congregation three distinct privileges, to wit: 1. The right to nominate the first incumbent; 2. The right to designate the language to which the Professorship shall belong; 3. The right to indicate the general sphere of its duties.

With regard to these rights they claim in their communication of date May 14, 1883, that "St. John's Church at the time she named the late Dr. C. F. Schaeffer as her professor in the Lutheran Theological Seminary, in granting him permission during his incumbency to teach the studies heretofore taught by him, and to impart the same in the language which he had been accustomed to use, reserved the right to indicate the studies and the language to be used whenever his successor to the chair should be selected." They acknowledge that their right to nominate the incumbent has been exhausted, but that the other two conceded rights have not been exercised by them as yet, but have been reserved to be exercised when a vacancy should occur. They now propose to exercise those rights, and designate the language to be used as the English, and they also indicate the sphere of the main studies to be taught.

They also maintain that as the Ministerium engaged to maintain perpetually this Professorship, the interest of the money paid over belongs to the Professorship fund, and could not be used for any other purpose than the maintenance of an incumbent without the consent of St. John's congregation, which was never sought or given.

Inasmuch as the exercise at this time of these two reserved rights, which are acknowledged by us as distinctly guaranteed by the Ministerium, and unquestionable, would greatly embarrass the directors and the Ministerium by disturbing the balance between the two languages in the official provision of the Seminary which is enjoined in the constitution and guaranteed by the Synod, and would create other difficulties and embarrassments, we laid these difficulties before the committee, and finally before the Board of Officers of St. John's Church, convened for the purpose. They received the statements of your committee with the most friendly concern for the interests of the Seminary, and with the same spirit of conciliation and concession shown at the time of the establishment of the Professorship. The result of the conference is presented in a communication from the Board of Officers of St. John's Church, herewith presented and placed in the minutes of the Seminary Board.

This report was referred to a committee to propose action to the Synod.

The committee to whom the papers having reference to St. John's Professorship in the Seminary were referred with instructions to propose action would propose:

1. That the Ministerium recognize and admit that St. John's Church, at the time of the nomination of the late Dr. C. F. Schaeffer as her professor, did not exercise her rights to designate the language to which the Professorship shall belong, and to indicate the general sphere of its duties, but reserved them to be used whenever his successor to the chair should be selected; so that while the right to nominate has been exhausted, the two other guaranteed privileges have not yet been exercised, but remain to be used at the present or some future time.

2. That the Ministerium gratefully accepts the consent of the Board of Officers of St. John's Church, that in view of the disadvantages which would result from the exercise of their rights at this time, they do not press their desire for an election to fill their chair at this time.

3. That the duties of the Professorship be for the present assigned to one of the present professors of the Seminary, and that he receive compensation for the performance of them.

4. That the sum of $24,120 already received by our Treasurer, together with the sum of $700 now ready to be paid to him, and such voluntary contributions as

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may hereafter be made by the members of St. John's Church for the purpose, be accepted by the Ministerium as payment in full of the endowment of the Professorship.

5. That hereafter the income of the endowment shall be at the disposal of the Board of Directors for the support of an incumbent, for provision of instruction in case of vacancy, and any surplus at any time for the maintenance of the Seminary.

6. That the faculty shall designate the professor or professors to whom the duties of the Professorship shall at present be assigned, subject to the approval of the Directors, and that the compensation to be paid for the performance of these duties be determined by the Board.

This report was received for consideration.

It was resolved that we now go into an election of a professor in the Seminary to fill the Professorship made vacant by the death of Rev. C. P. Krauth, DD., LL.D. It was so ordered.

Here a question of eligibility arose, which was discussed at length. The chief difficulty lay in the constitutional provision which requires that the candidate shall have served in the pastoral office for five years.

On the statement of Rev. J. Fry, D.D., that Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., had virtually fulfilled this requirement, Rev. Dr. G. F. Krotel nominated him for this position.

Rev. J. W. Mann, D.D., moved that the nominations be closed.

Whereupon Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., was unanimously elected by acclamation.

It was resolved that a committee be appointed to notify Rev. Dr. Jacobs of his election. The committee consisted of Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., and the Professors of the Seminary.

The question of house-father was referred to the Board of Directors.

The election to fill vacancies in the Board of Directors being in order, the following tellers were appointed: Revs. Jacob Neff, J. C. Dizinger, and Mr. A. Bendel.

At a subsequent meeting they reported the following persons elected:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D.,	Mr. H. Lehman,
" J. K. Plitt,	A. Stanley Ulrich, Esq.,
" J. F. Wampole,	Mr. Charles Colloday,
" E. L. Reed,	" L. L. Houpt,
" S. Laird.	" F. R. Schmidt.

Rev. F. A. Kaehler offered the following memorial from the Pastoral Association of Philadelphia:

At a meeting of the Pastoral Association of Philadelphia, held May 7, 1883, in Zion's Church, Philadelphia, it was

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Resolved, That in view of the unsafe condition of the valuable library in our present Theological Seminary building, and of the fact that the nature of the locality is unsuitable for such an institution, it is the unanimous sense of this body that the Ministerium of Pennsylvania should signalize this anniversary year by making it a definite purpose to change the location of the Theological Seminary, and secure a fire-proof building for its library.

Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., moved that the subject of the New Seminary Buildings be taken up to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

It was so ordered.

On motion, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. Greenwald, D.D., of Lancaster.

FOURTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, May 19, 1883, 9 A.M.

Synod convened, and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. G. A. Struntz, of Pittston.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The President having received a communication on the Proper Policy of our Government toward the Indians, put it in the hands of the following committee: Revs. F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D., H. E. Jacobs, D.D., and Mr. W. Hauff.

That part of the report of the Theological Seminary which refers to the Endowment Funds contributed by the St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation in Philadelphia, was referred to a committee to propose such action as in their judgment this Synod should take. This committee consists of the following members: Revs. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., G. F. Krotel, D.D., and W. H. Staake, Esq.

Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., here informed the Ministerium that the family of the late Dr. C. P. Krauth had requested the administrator of his estate to present the library belonging to him to the Theological Seminary. This library is estimated to contain between 15,000 and 16,000 volumes, and is regarded as the finest and best-selected private Theological library in America.

On motion of Rev. Dr. B. M. Schmucker it was

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, to whom the information given by Dr. A. Spaeth, that the family of Rev. Dr. Krauth has united in the request to the administrator of his estate to present his entire library to the Theological Seminary of the Lutheran Church in Philadelphia, shall be referred to a committee, and that any other papers on the subject which shall be presented be also referred to them, with instruction to propose to the Synod some action on the subject.

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The committee consists of Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., the Professors of the Seminary, including Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., the newly elected Norton Professor.

On motion of Rev. J. K. Plitt it was

Resolved, That this Synod hereby expresses its grateful appreciation of the services of Rev. C. N. Schaeffer, D.D., in his self-sacrificing and successful performance of the duties of the chair of our deceased lamented Rev. Dr. Krauth in addition to the labors of his own professorship, and hereby returns to him its heartfelt thanks for said services.

It was warmly adopted.

The subject of the New Seminary Buildings was now taken up.

Rev. J. Fry, D.D., offered the following:

Resolved, That this Ministerium in annual convention on this 400th anniversary of Luther's birth, signalize this year by entering, in the name of the Lord, on an earnest effort to erect new and suitable buildings for the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia.

It was carried.

On motion of Rev. Dr. W. J. Mann it was resolved to appoint a committee to report methods of proceeding in arranging for the new buildings for the Theological Seminary.

This committee is constituted as follows: Revs. E. Greenwald, D.D., A. Spaeth, D.D., S. Laird, Messrs. J. C. File, R. B. Miller.

It was resolved to enter at this time on the consideration of Systematic Beneficence. Rev. C. J. Cooper presented the subject in an appropriate address, and Rev. E. E. Sibole read a well-prepared paper, by which the subject was brought definitely before Synod for further consideration.

The time for adjournment having arrived, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. H. Fritz, of York.

FIFTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, May 19, 1883, 2 P.M.

Synod met and was opened with prayer by Rev. W. S. Emery, of Erwinna.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Rev. E. A. Bauer read the following Report on Lay-Work:

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE IN RELATION TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF UNORDAINED PERSONS IN MISSIONARY SERVICE.

Your committee considered this matter thoroughly, and perhaps would have been ready to propose certain and explicit regulations concerning this matter; but as a committee has been appointed with the instruction to revise the whole Constitution for our Ministerium and Conferences, we propose that this difficult matter may be also referred to that committee, so that all the laws of the Ministerium may be in due and proper harmony.

E. A. BAUER,
E. GREENWALD,
W. RATH.

It was accepted and adopted.

The subject of Systematic Beneficence was now resumed. Rev. E. E. Sibole offered the following:

Resolved, That for the needs of our educational and benevolent interests, and in commemoration of the four-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther, we do individually pledge ourselves to make a most earnest effort to secure from our congregations the average amount of ——— per member, and in order to accomplish this we further agree by all legitimate discoverable means to present to our people from time to time during the year the nature and claims of these several interests.

Action on this resolution was suspended for the present, to a view of calling it up at a later session.

On motion of Rev. F. J. F. Schantz, Rev. J. Fry, D.D., Treasurer of Synod, was authorized to receive during this year contributions to the German Professorship in Muhlenberg College.

Rev. J. D. Schindel now presented the Report on Muhlenberg College. It reads as follows:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF MUHLENBERG COLLEGE.

During the past year the College has continued its work as efficiently as its means allowed, and with no abatement of fidelity on the part of its trustees and Professors. Some time in January a very painful accident disabled, and, for several weeks, confined the President of College to his bed. Although he still suffers, yet a merciful Providence has so far restored him as to enable him to attend to his classes as usual.

At the annual meeting of the Board, held June 28, 29, 1882, the resignation of Rev. Dr. A. R. Horne, as principal of the Normal and Academic departments, was accepted. At the same time it was resolved to discontinue the Normal Department, under the general conviction that the two systems of instruction could not well be carried on without detriment, the one to the other, with the teaching force and accommodations within reach of our means. The Central Executive Committee of the Board and the Faculty were instructed to secure a successor. Rev. John Kohler was chosen for the position, and, with an assistant, has conducted the Academic Department during the year. At this annual meeting the following resolution was also adopted:

Resolved, That inasmuch as the friends of the institution in the Ministerium of Pennsylvania have, by a generous subscription, provided, for a time, for the sup-

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port of the German Professor, the Professor be now expected to discharge all the duties of the Professorship, but that he also continue his efforts to secure the completion of its endowment.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Board, held January 17, 1883, Prof. Smith, of the Chair of Natural and Applied Sciences, informed the Board that he had received a call from the College in Springfield, Ohio, at a greatly increased salary, but that he would be willing to continue his services with us for a less amount. A committee was appointed to arrange terms with him, if possible, but could not succeed. The principal difficulty lay in the fact that, should the salary of Prof. Smith be increased to the amount necessary to retain him, his salary would be higher than any paid in the institution, and might lead to dissatisfaction on the part of faithful professors who had served the same for years with great self-denial. It is hoped that the Board at its next annual meeting will find a way to again fill this chair with a suitable incumbent.

At this same meeting the Board instructed the Executive Committee and the Faculty to secure the services of an agent to endeavor to raise means to pay off the indebtedness and improve the financial condition of the College, that it might cease to be a burden upon the benevolence of our churches. Negotiations were opened with a very suitable party, and whilst in general terms he indicated his willingness to enter upon the work, he preferred to leave his final decision until the annual meeting of the Board in June. Meanwhile the Board will be compelled to ask of the Synod an appropriation at least equal to that of the last year.

The number of students registered for the collegiate year has been 79 in the Collegiate and 43 in the Academic Department. The graduating class contains 14 members, 9 of whom have the ministry in view, though one of them is not of our faith. About a month since a Students' Home and Foreign Missionary Society was formed, meeting twice a month. They hope to secure funds enough to pay for the education of a young man in India to preach the Gospel in due time.

The time of service of the following trustees expires at this synodical meeting: Revs. G. A. Hinterleitner, R. F. Weidner, C. J. Cooper, J. F. Ohl, J. F. Wampole, J. W. Early, and Messrs. H. Lehman, Chas. H. Schaeffer, Esq., F. G. Berndt, and Dr. H. A. Grim.

Inasmuch as a financial statement of liabilities and resources would be about the same as last year, it is deemed unnecessary to present such. The receipts and disbursements about balance each other. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. SCHINDEL,
Secretary of the Board.

This report was received for consideration.

An election to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees being in order, the following were appointed to act as tellers: Revs. J. L. Sibole, Charles Fry, and Mr. T. H. Diehl.

At the afternoon session on Monday this report was taken up and considered. Rev. B. Sadtler, D.D., President of the College, made an extended statement of the policy and work of that institution.

The report was adopted.

At the same time the tellers announced the election of the following members of the Board of Trustees:

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Rev. G. A. Hinterleitner,	Mr. J. K. Moser,
" S. A. Ziegenfuss,	Dr. H. A. Grim,
" J. W. Early,	C. H. Schaeffer. Esq.,
" J. F. Wampole,	Mr. H. Lehman.
" J. C. Cooper,	
" J. F. Ohl.	

Mr. J. C. File, Treasurer of the Orphans' Home, now presented the Report on the Orphans' Home. (See Appendix.)

This report was received and adopted.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz moved that the old members of the Board of Trustees of the Home, whose term of office expires, be re-elected. It was carried. By this action Rev. Fr. Wischan and R. B. Miller were elected.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., now presented the Report of the Delegates to the General Council. It reads as follows:

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

The 15th Convention of the General Council was held in St. Peter's Church, Lancaster, Ohio, November 9–15, 1882. The number of the Synods remains unaltered; of those in full connection the Holston was not represented, and of those with privilege of debate the Norwegian Augustana. The number of Delegates enrolled was 31 clerical and 15 lay, of whom 11 clerical and 4 lay were from this Ministerium.

The convention was opened with service and communion. The sermon delivered by the President has been printed for wide circulation as a tract. Two morning sessions were devoted to the discussion of the mutual relation of congregations and synods as set forth in the fundamental principles of Ecclesiastical Power and Church Government included in the constitution of the General Council.

The Home Mission work which lies before the Council engaged a large part of the time. The two missions in Chicago receiving support in part from this Ministerium make report to our Executive Committee and will be noticed in their report. The English Home Mission Committee of the Council had no other missionaries regularly under its care during the previous year except these two, though making preparations for work in several other places.

The report of the German Committee showed extraordinary and encouraging results for the single year of its existence. They had established a special illustrated monthly devoted to the mission work, which within 10 months had attained a circulation of 7200 copies; they had received contributions to the amount of $2928.52, and their expenditures were $2802.50; they had placed nine missionaries in the field, and had secured sixteen young men who were in preparation under their care for the work. The energy with which they had prosecuted the work with which they were intrusted commanded commendation, and awakened the hope that this long-neglected field would now receive some of the attention which it so urgently needs. Arrangements were directed to be made with the educational institution of Pastor Paulsen, at Kropp, Schleswig, for the future supply of men for the mission work.

The whole arrangements for the management of the Home Missionary work of the General Council was reconstructed, and the rules and regulations in force amended to conform to the changes made. The reconstructed plan and amended

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regulations are fully set forth in the minutes of the Council, and claim the careful consideration of the Ministerium.

The Committee for Foreign Missions presented a full report of the work of the year and of the state of the mission. The statistics of the mission in India are:

Missionaries sent out and at work	3
" on the voyage outward	1
" died within the year	1
Wives of Missionaries in service	3
Native Ordained Pastors	2
Unordained Evangelist	1
Colporteurs	2
Teachers, Rajahmundry, male 4, female 2	6
" Out-Stations	25
Scholars, Day School, Rajahmundry	120
Sunday-school, Rajahm, Telegu:	
Teachers, male 7, female 8	15
Scholars, " 61, " 65	126
Sunday-school, English:	
Teachers, male 3, female 3	6
Scholars, " 38, " 28	66
Boys in Boarding House	29
Girls in Boarding School	24
Baptized, 1869–1879	536
" during 1880	124
" " 1881	170
" January–June, 1882	121

The entire receipts including those for the two papers were $12,627.47; the entire expenditures including those for the papers were $12,059.18. *Missionsbote* yielded a profit of $1055.49. The circulation of the *Missionsbote* was 16,500, that of the *Foreign Missionary* 6000.

The annual report of the Emigrant Mission Committee showed receipts $1571.88, expenditures $1245.51. The labors of the Missionary have been regulary continued, and a Swedish Missionary has also been appointed.

Of the publications of the General Council, there have been printed within the year: German Church book, large 2000, small 2000; German Sunday-school book, 2400; German Catechism, 4000; English Sunday-school book with music, sales, 2513, without music, 2973; English Catechism, 1008 copies.

The next convention of the Council will be held in St. Peter's Church, New York, beginning on Thursday, Oct. 1883, to which Delegates are to be elected.

The report was received and adopted.

An election for Delegates to the General Council being in order, the following tellers were appointed to conduct the election for Primarii: Revs. H. N. Fegley, F. P. Bender, and Mr. A. G. Rothfuss.

The following brethren were appointed to conduct the election for Alternates: Revs. Z. H. Gabel, J. D. Foust, and Mr. A. K. Michler.

At subsequent meetings they reported the following as elected:

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Primarii.	*Alternates.*
Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., *ex-officio*,	Rev. B. W. Schmauck,
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.,	" M. C. Horine,
" J. Fry, D.D.,	" W. Wackernagel,
" A. Spaeth, D.D.,	" J. D. Schindel,
" G. F. Krotel, D.D.,	" E. A. Bauer,
" F. J. F. Schantz,	" E. E. Sibole,
" C. W. Schaeffer, D.D.,	" R. Hill,
" Fr Wischan,	" G. F. Spieker,
" J. J. Kuendig,	" D. H. Geissinger,
" W. J. Mann, D.D.,	" C. J. Cooper,
" H. E. Jacobs, D.D.,	" W. A. Schaeffer,
" H. Grahn,	" J. M. Anspach,
" S. Laird,	" J. K. Plitt,
" G. A. Hinterleitner,	" G. A. Struntz,
" B. Sadtler, D.D.,	" Enoch Smith,
" F. W. Weiskotten.	" J. W. Hassler.

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Primarii.	*Alternates.*
W. H. Staake, Esq.,	Mr. M. H. Horn,
Mr. A. W. Potteiger,	" J. R. Baker,
" P. A. Keller,	" J. K. Hage,
" J. C. File,	Prof. S. P. Sadtler,
" H. Lehman,	Mr. C. A. Heinitsch,
" T. H. Diehl,	Hon. J. F. Miller,
" A. Bendel,	Mr. Isaac Fegley,
Prof. A. Rambo,	" H. Baetes,
Mr. R. B. Miller,	" J. Schlegelmilch,
" G. H. Reinoehl,	" L. H. Liess,
" W. Hauff,	" G. W. Boas,
" J. Born,	" L. L. Houpt,
" J. A. Geissenhainer,	" R. A. Baer,
" J. B. Zimmele,	" Chas. Hahn,
Prof. D. S. Boyer,	" C. H. Kopitzsch,
Mr. C. D. Colladay.	" H. Wells.

This report was received and adopted.

Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., now requested leave of absence after Monday. It was granted.

On motion of Rev. J. Fry, D.D., Synod adjourned till Monday at 9 A.M. This session was closed with prayer by Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D.D., of Charlotte, N. C.

SIXTH SESSION.

MONDAY, May 21, 1883, 9 A.M.

Synod met according to adjournment on Saturday, and was opened with devotional exercises by Rev. J. Zentner, of Trenton.

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Rev. E. Greenwald, D.D., occupied the chair until the arrival of the President.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Rev. Dr. Schmucker offered the following Report on Conference with St. John's Congregation:

The committee to whom the question of the St. John's Professorship was referred, present the following:

The committee to whom the papers having reference to St. John's Professorship in the Seminary were referred, with instructions to propose action, would propose—

1. That this Ministerium recognize and admit that St. John's Church, at the time of the nomination of the late Dr. C. F. Schaeffer as her Professor, did not exercise her rights to designate the language to which the Professorship shall belong, and to indicate the general sphere of its duties, but reserved them to be used whenever his successor to the chair should be selected. So that while the right to nominate has been exhausted, the two other guaranteed privileges have not yet been exercised, but remain to be used at the present or some future time.

2. That the Ministerium gratefully accepts the consent of the Board of Officers of St. John's Church, that in view of the disadvantages which would result from the exercise of their rights at this time, they do not press their desire for an election to fill their chair at this time.

3. That the duties of the Professorship be for the present assigned to one of the present professors of the Seminary, and that he receive compensation for the performance of them.

4. That the sum of $24,120 already received by our Treasurer, together with the sum of $700 now ready to be paid to him, and such voluntary contributions as may hereafter be made by the members of St. John's Church for the purpose, be accepted by the Ministerium as payment in full of the endowment of the Professorship.

5. That hereafter the income of the endowment shall be at the disposal of the Board of Directors for the support of an incumbent for provision of this instruction in case of vacancy, and any surplus at any time to be used for the maintenance of the Seminary.

6. That the Faculty shall designate the professor or professors to whom the duties of the Professorship shall at present be assigned, subject to the approval of the Directors, and that the compensation to be paid for the performance of their duties be determined by the Board.

This report was received and considered *seriatim*.

With two amendments, the report was adopted as it stands in the minutes.

This report, together with the report on the Theological Seminary, was adopted as a whole. Rev. Dr. E. Greenwald now offered the Report on Methods of Proceedings for Arranging for the New Seminary Buildings. After a general interchange of views, this report was recommitted, to report in the line of the discussion which was had on it. (See the close of the Eighth Session.)

Synod now adjourned with prayer by Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., of Gettysburg.

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SEVENTH SESSION.

MONDAY, May 21, 1883, 2 P.M.

Synod met and was opened with prayer by Rev. P. Krug, of New York.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The tellers on election of Trustees in Muhlenberg College reported. (See page 40.)

For consideration of Report on Muhlenberg College, see page 38.

At this session the tellers on election of Delegates to General Council reported. (See page 42.)

Rev. C. W. Schaeffer, D.D., offered the following Report on Reception of Congregations:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECEPTION OF CONGREGATIONS.

Your committee would respectfully report that they have carefully examined the application of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Middleport, Schuylkill County, Pa., and have found the same in perfect accord with the requirements of our constitution, being a simple transcript of the constitution for congregations recommended by this Synod, adapted to the circumstances of the congregation. We therefore recommend that Trinity Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Middleport be received into connection with this body.

That their application for aid be referred to the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. SCHAEFFER,
J. G. PFUHL,
J. W. EARLY,
G. A. BRUEGEL,
B. E. KRAMLICH,
A. K. MICHLER,
A. BENDEL,
Committee.

It was received and adopted.

Rev. E. A. Bauer read the following Report on the President's Accounts:

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on President's Accounts respectfully report that they have carefully examined the same and find that they are correct.

J. KOHLER,
A. J. WEDDELL,
E. A. BAUER.

It was received and adopted.

Rev. W. Rath presented the following Report on the President's Report:

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COMMITTEE ON THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The committee to whom was committed the annual report of the President of the Synod, respectfully submit the following resolutions:

I. *Resolved*, That this Synod fully approves of the course of the President in regard to the following points referred to in his report:

1. In his refusal to comply with the request of Mr. Weisskopff.

2. In reference to the application of the German Home Mission Committee of the General Council for permission for certain pastors to receive under their tuition some young men from Germany.

II. *Resolved*, That Mr. Woerner's name be erased from our list of ministers.

III. *Resolved*, That the name of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Scranton be entered upon the roll of our congregations, and the delegate of said church be invited to present his credentials.

IV. *Resolved*, That we approve the course of the President in having all the stocks, bonds, and mortgages belonging to this Synod entered simply in the new corporate name of the Ministerium, and that the Resolution submitted by him be adopted by this body. The resolution is as follows:

Resolved, That the President of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States be and hereby is authorized and empowered to collect, receive, and receipt for, in the name of the Ministerium, at all or any times whatever moneys as the principal sum or interests, income, or dividends on or of bonds, stocks, mortgages, or other forms of investment made in the name of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States, and representing the Trust Funds, the distribution of the proceeds of which have been placed in the hands of the President of said Ministerium.

V. *Resolved*, That we heartily respond to the sentiments expressed by the President in regard to the propriety of signalizing this memorial year by special efforts and contributions for the promotion of the Home Mission Work undertaken and earnestly recommended to us by the General Council.

VI. *Resolved*, That immediately after the disposal of this report, an opportunity be given to the committees appointed at the last convention to present memoirs of the lives and services of the brethren who died during the year in their respective Conferences. The Committee,

G. F. KROTEL,
W. RATH,
J. K. PLITT,
J. J. KUENDIG,
F BERKEMEYER.

It was received and considered *seriatim*.

The first item in reference to Mr. E. Weisskopff was referred to the Second Conference.

The second item in reference to the request of the German Home Mission Committee was adopted.

The third item was amended.

The fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh items were adopted.

The report was then adopted as it stands in the minutes.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., now read a biographical sketch of the late Chas. P. Krauth, D.D., LL.D.

It was resolved to hold a Ministerial Session immediately after adjournment at 5 o'clock.

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The reading of the remaining biographical sketches was postponed until the next day.

Rev. F. Walz offered the Report on the Roll of Ministers. This report was received and referred to the Ministerial Session, which see.

Synod now adjourned with prayer by Rev. H. Weicksel, of Line Mountain.

EIGHTH SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 22, 1883, 9 A. M.

Synod convened and was opened with Divine Service conducted by Rev. O. P. Smith, of the Trappe.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

At this session the tellers on election of Delegates to the General Council reported. (See page 42.)

The President announced the following committee to prepare "Memorial Resolutions" on the members of this Ministerium who died during the last synodical year: Revs. C. W. Schaeffer, D.D., W. J. Mann, D.D., and G. A. Hinterleitner.

Rev. J. W. Hassler now read the biographical sketch of the late Rev. L. G. Eggers.

Rev. C. Elvin Houpt read the biographical sketch of the late Rev. B. C. Snyder.

Rev. Dr. Schmucker read also the biographical sketch of Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer, deceased.

Rev. W. J. Mann moved that a committee be appointed to confer with the editors of the *Lutheran Church Review*, with reference to the publication of these biographical sketches. It was carried.

The committee consists of Revs. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., and W. J. Mann, D.D.

In reference to the German Professorship in Muhlenberg College, it was resolved to continue the committee of last year, who are entrusted with the duty of carrying out the resolution of last year. Committee, Revs. F. J. F. Schantz, G. A. Hinterleitner, and Mr. John Born.

The Committee on Methods of Proceeding in Arranging for the Erection of New Seminary Buildings offered their second report at this session.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEW SEMINARY BUILDINGS.

The committee appointed to "report methods of proceeding in arranging for the new buildings of the Theological Seminary" would offer the following resolutions:

1. The erection of new and more extensive buildings for our Theological Seminary at Philadelphia shall be undertaken as a suitable memorial of this 400th anniversary year of Luther's birth, the estimated cost of which will be $100,000.
2. We aim at raising an average of at least one dollar per member throughout all our congregations for this purpose during this synodical year.
3. The co-operation of the other synods, in connection with the General Council, interested in the Seminary be solicited to aid in the prosecution of this work.
4. That the duty of bringing this matter to the attention of the congregations, and the supervision of the work of raising the funds, be committed into the charge of the Board of Directors of the Seminary, and that the District Conferences be instructed to appoint committees to co-operate with the Board of Directors, and to see that the wishes of the Synod are carried out in all the Congregations within their bounds.
5. That the funds thus collected be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the Ministerium as the Seminary Memorial Building Fund, to be held by him for the special purpose for which they were given.
6. That the Board of Directors of the Seminary secure grounds and plans for the buildings, and prosecute the work of erecting the same, and that the funds contributed for this purpose, in the hands of the Treasurer, be subject to their order.

This report was considered item by item, and with a few amendments was adopted as it here stands in the minutes. For further action, see proceedings at the beginning of the Ninth Session.

Pending the consideration of this report, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. C. J. Hirzel, of Chestnut Hill.

NINTH SESSION.

TUESDAY, May 22, 1883, 2 P.M.

Synod met and was opened with devotional exercises by Rev. M. Schimpf, of Philadelphia. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

On motion of Rev. J. Fry, D.D., it was resolved that the President be requested at this evening's service to return the thanks of the Ministerium for its hospitable entertainment by the Trinity Congregation and this community.

The consideration of the Report on the New Seminary Buildings was now resumed, considered at length, and adopted as a whole. (See page 47.)

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On motion of Mr. T. H. Diehl, as amended by Rev. Dr. Schmucker, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Directors commence the work of building so soon as the ground is paid for and $30,000 are secured.

On motion of W. H. Staake, Esq., the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the President, Secretaries, and Treasurer of this corporation are hereby authorized and empowered to sell or exchange such real estate and other property held by this corporation for the Theological Seminary as they may deem necessary and requisite in the change of the location of the Seminary buildings, and for such purposes they shall have power and authority to execute, seal with the corporate seal of this corporation, and deliver such deed or deeds or other assurances in the law as may be required to fully effectuate the premises.

Dr. B. M. Schmucker presented the following, which was passed:

Resolved, That the Directors of the Theological Seminary be instructed to inquire of the congregations of St. Michael's and Zion's, and of St. Paul's churches, whether the benefits enjoyed by the Seminary in the grounds on which the present buildings stand can continue to be enjoyed at some other locality within the limits of the city of Philadelphia, and that the Board have authority to conclude any arrangement in behalf of the Ministerium.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., on behalf of the Committee on Dr. Krauth's Library, reported as follows:

DR. KRAUTH'S LIBRARY.

The committee to whom the information given to the Ministerium by Dr. Spaeth concerning the disposal of Dr. Krauth's library was referred would respectfully report, that there had been placed in their hands a communication from Wharton Barker, Esq., administrator of the estate of Dr. Krauth, setting forth that he had received an instrument in writing signed by all the children of Dr. Krauth, and approved and concurred in by Mrs. Krauth, to the following effect:

PHILADELPHIA, May 16, 1883.

WHARTON BARKER, Esq.:

Dear Sir,—Believing that the earnest wish and expressed intention of our father, Rev. Charles P. Krauth, in regard to the disposal of his library will best be carried out by presenting it as a whole to the Theological Seminary with which he was so long and intimately connected, we desire to make to you the following proposition—Will you please, on our behalf, present to "The Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church" at Philadelphia the library of our deceased father, Charles Porterfield Krauth?

The administrator has not yet made formal tender of the library, and is as yet restrained by certain legal requirements from doing so, but the communication to this Ministerium of the above request is understood as an expression of his purpose to do so so soon as it is in his power, provided certain conditions are fulfilled and provisions made with reference to the library, all of which are covered by the action herewith proposed.

We propose to the Ministerium the following for its adoption:

That in receiving the proposal to convey to the Theological Seminary established by this Ministerium in Philadelphia the library of Dr. Krauth this Min-

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terium recognizes *the priceless value of the gift.* No collection of the theological literature of the Evangelical Lutheran Church so large, so carefully chosen, assembled at so great cost, has ever yet been made in this country, and it is enriched by additions from outside that domain, of as wide a range as that of the many-sided culture of its founder. All the researches and learned studies of our Ministry and of all students of sacred literature for the coming years will be benefited by this gift.

The Ministerium recognizes *the noble generosity* which has made a free gift of a library in which so large a part of the income of its founder for nearly the whole of his life has been invested, and the *filial devotion* which now consecrates it in accordance with his wish to the service of Christ and His Church.

The Ministerium recognizes *the* solemn obligation under which it is placed to provide for the secure protection of the library against peril and injury, and for the wise and prudent administration of the trust committed to it.

Be it Resolved—1. That we return our hearty thanks for the proposal to bestow to our Seminary this extensive and costly library.

2. That sensible of the great loss sustained by our Seminary, our Synod, our Church, and the whole Kingdom of Christ in the death of Dr. Krauth, we deeply sympathize with all the members of his household in their yet greater bereavement, and we commend them to the tender mercies of our God.

3. In consideration of the eminent services rendered to the Church by the life-long labors of Dr. Krauth, and the presentation to the Seminary of the library to which so much of his income was given,

Resolved, That the President and English Secretary of this corporation be and hereby are authorized and empowered in the name of this corporation to execute, seal with the corporate seal of this corporation, and deliver to Mary V. Krauth, of the city of Philadelphia, widow of the late Charles Porterfield Krauth, D.D., LL.D., the obligation and covenant of this corporation to pay to the said Mary V. Krauth the sum of five hundred dollars annually during the term of her natural life, in equal quarterly payments on the first days of January, April, July, and October, in each and every year.

4. *Resolved*, That the President and Treasurer of this corporation be and hereby are authorized to pay the said annual sum of five hundred dollars, during the term of the natural life of the said Mary V. Krauth, out of the Pastors' Widows and Orphans Fund or out of any other moneys of this corporation not otherwise appropriated.

5. That the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary shall provide for the transfer of the library, and make such arrangements for its reception and use in the Seminary or in some other proper place as are possible.

6. That the Treasurer shall insure the library against perils of fire.

7. That provision shall be made in the New Seminary Building for the secure protection and convenient use of the library.

8. That all the books shall be distinctly designated as belonging to the library of Dr. Krauth.

9. That the Board shall specially protect and place safeguards around the use of the more costly, rare, and valuable books.

It was received and adopted.

The President now read the Report on Printing, Contracts, etc. It reads as follows:

PUBLICATIONS, CONTRACTS, &c.

At the last meeting of the Ministerium it was made the duty of the officers, with two other members, to ascertain the terms and conditions on which the several books of the Ministerium are being published. Inquiries and examinations have accordingly been made, with results as follows:

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1. The Small Catechism in German, published by Brobst, Diehl & Co., Allentown. Plates owned by the Ministerium, with perhaps a drawback of $100 in case they be taken from the present publisher, as per agreement with the original publisher, Mr. Benner, of Sumneytown, whose interest was purchased by Rev. S. K. Brobst, and seems to have traditionally become the property of Brobst, Diehl & Co. No written contract seems to exist. One cent for the right of publishing is to be paid to the Ministerium on each copy sold. Nearly 2000 copies are at present on hand. The publisher is willing to negotiate for some slight advance rather than relinquish. The original price was 15 cents per copy or $1.44 per dozen. These plates are now much worn.

2. The Small Catechism in English (known as the "Green" or "Old"), published by G. W. Frederick, Philadelphia. There is a memorandum of agreement, dated July, 1855, made with Lindsay & Blakiston, giving to them, their heirs and assigns, so long as they continue to perform their part of the contract to publish and supply the book, "all right, title, and interest in the copyright and publication," the plates to be the property of the Ministerium, and 1¼ cents to be paid to the Ministerium semi-annually on each copy sold. All the rights and interests of said Lindsay & Blakiston in this aggreement were sold out and transferred to the present publisher in January, 1882, and remain with him *in perpetuo* as long as he faithfully performs the conditions of the contract.

3. Luther's Small Catechism by Drs. Mann and Krotel (English). No written contract. The right to print was given to Lindsay & Blakiston without limit of time, the said Lindsay & Blakiston to assume all expenses in the manufacture of the plates and books, and to pay to the Ministerium of Pennsylvania one cent on each copy sold, in consideration of having the sole right to publish. The rights of said Lindsay & Blakiston in this book have been purchased by G. W. Frederick and duly transferred to him, who now owns the plates and continues to publish on these terms. To stop the publication or to remove the right to publish would require payment for the plates on the part of the Ministerium. The price was originally fixed at $1.80 per dozen, but has since been reduced to $1.50 per dozen. The premium to be paid to the Ministerium semi-annually. All dues on this publication have been paid up to January 1, 1883.

4. Luther's Small Catechism by Drs. Mann and Krotel (German) is published by Ig. Kohler, Philadelphia, no written contract, but on verbal agreement, the same as in the case of the English. Mr. Kohler owns the plates, assumed all the expenses of the publication, and pays to the Ministerium two cents on each copy sold, on condition of the sole perpetual right to publish. The amount due up to the last printing of an edition of two thousand, mostly on hand, was $100—which has recently been paid to the Treasurer. Mr. Kohler would surrender his right in the book on payment for the plates.

5. The Church Book (English), published by G. W. Frederick, Philadelphia. Plates and copyright held, at least in trust, by the Ministerium. No written contract since the first editions. Continued by a sort of traditional agreement with Lutheran Bookstore (T. L. Schrack), which was bought out by the present publisher. Terms modified from time to time without written stipulations. There exists now a sort of duplicate arrangement, partly with Sherman & Co., printers, and partly with G. W. Frederick, publisher, but with no written contracts. By this arrangement the Synod realizes on the book 10 cents per copy from Mr. Frederick, and a certain margin between the fixed selling price and the cost of manufacture from Mr. Sherman. There is nothing to bind this arrangement beyond editions on hand; nor is it clear that this is the best arrangement that might be made; but, in case of change, there are traditional considerations due to both Mr. Frederick and Mr. Sherman in the matter, and the Ministerium, which is responsible for the trust, should itself name a definite authority to attend to it, and one so constituted as to be able to act officially and without any question of appointment. Mr. Frederick expresses a readiness to make terms for the continued publication of the book that would be more favorable to the Ministerium by way of

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premiums on it. At present arrangement the Synod receives $12\frac{8}{10}$ cents on each copy sold. There are 650 copies on hand, and a New Edition of 3000 is now in press.

6. The German Hymn Book (Wollenweber).

This report was received and adopted.

Rev. H. Grahn now read the Report on the German Hymn Book.

It was received for consideration, and adopted with the request that the committee furnish a summary of this report to be published in the minutes, including an item on the appendix.

It is herewith submitted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GERMAN HYMN BOOK.

To the Ministerium of Pennsylvania:

Your committee respectfully report: Whereas the old 32mo plates were unfit for further use, they were broken, melted, and sold for $12.10. New plates were made costing $692.04. There were 2000 of the Old Edition in the bookbinder's hands, partly bound together with 500 sheets; the delivery of these being delayed and orders coming in, your committee had 5000 of the New Edition printed costing $408.80. Rev. C. G. Fischer, of Germantown, was requested to attend to the necessary correspondence in furthering of the sales, with a gratuity for his services and labors of one hundred dollars per annum, this being judged by your committee as the most practical and economical way of conducting the affairs of the German Hymn Book. The plates are stored safely with the "Globe Printing House," and the sheets and books are in charge of Messrs. Oldach & Mergenthaler, of Philadelphia. After paying for the binding, etc., the balance remaining from the sales was handed over to the Treasurer of Synod, amounting to $1049.77. The Treasurer of Synod had paid for the plates and printing.) As the printed matter of the 32mo Old Edition were very defective, it was deemed proper to reduce the price 10 cents.

The cost of binding 1500 plain and 500 fancy 32mo New Edition was $338.40. Collating and folding 700 sheets New, $10.50, 500 sheets 32mo Old, $7.50, and 70 sheets 16mo, $1.05. Binding 125 of 16mo fancy, $50, and 479 plain, $81.43, making total cost $538.88.

Sales: 16mo, 666 plain and 70 sheets, $588.05; Old Edition 32mo, 838 plain, 500 sheets, $358.90; New Edition 32mo, 700 sheets, 916 bound, $629.60.

Value of stock on hand:

	Value.
32mo, New, 2300 sheets, 1084 bound	$1338 00
32mo, Old, 1162 bound	348 60
16mo, " 1366 sheets, 189 bound	1203 74

Your committee respectfully submit that when the first edition of the 32mo, New, of 5000 copies will be sold (as the plates and printing and binding cost together $1499.74, and the amount of sales are $629.60, and value of stock $1338), the net profit will amount to $467.86.

H. GRAHN.

On this book the following committee was appointed: Revs. W. J. Mann, D.D., H. Grahn, Fr. Wischan, and Mr. J. C. File.

W. H. Staake, Esq., on behalf of the Committee on Publication, reported as follows:

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15, 1883.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States:

The committee appointed to carefully consider the importance of the establishment by the Synod of a publication house or other arrangements for the issue of the official books of the Synod and other good books, and propose a plan to the Synod at its next annual meeting, having at the last meeting of the Synod been continued for another year, would now respectfully report:

First. That we do not recommend at this time the establishment of a publication house to be owned and conducted by this body.

Second. That the annexed table "A" contains the prices received from reliable parties for which the present publications of the Synod can be printed and bound.

Third. That in the judgment of your committee there can be a large increase in the revenues of the Synod if a plan similar to that adopted for the publication of the German Hymn Book of the Synod, known as the Wollenweber book, should be adopted for the publication and sale of the other publications of this Synod.

Fourth. That your committee would recommend that whenever and wherever existing contracts will permit, such plan for the publication and sale of the books of the Synod shall be adopted.

Fifth. That a committee of five persons, to be styled the Committee on Publications, shall be annually elected to take charge of this work.

F. WISCHAN,
JNO. C. FILE,
J. W. EARLY,
F. W. WEISKOTTEN,
R. B. MILLER,
WM. H. STAAKE.

"A."—PRICES AT WHICH OUR BOOKS CAN BE MANUFACTURED.

The prices furnished by reliable firms in the city of Philadelphia for the same kind and quality of material and workmanship hitherto furnished are the following:

ENGLISH CHURCH BOOK.

	By the 1000 Copies.	5000 Copies.
Paper and Presswork @	11 cents.	5 per cent less.
Binding @	20 "	
Total	31 "	

LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM.

Of this there are four editions—*two* in German and *two* in English:
(1.) The so-called "Green" Catechism—English.
(2.) The corresponding German (Benner's).
(3.) Drs. Mann and Krotel's in German.
(4.) " " " in English.

To manufacture these will cost, according to the number of pages:
For Paper and Presswork, from 2 cents to 2½ cents each; for Binding, from 3½ cents to 3½ cents each—making a total cost of from 5½ cents to 6 cents each.

This report was received, considered, and adopted.

By resolution the time for adjournment was extended.

Rev. C. W. Schaeffer, D.D., offered the following

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REPORT ON DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

WHEREAS, Our beloved brethren Rev. Dr. C. P. Krauth, Rev. L. G. Eggers, and Rev. B. C. Snyder have during the last synodical year ceased from their labors and departed to their rest in the Lord, therefore

Resolved, That whilst the character, the position, and the labors of Dr. Krauth were such as to awaken the sentiment and to call forth expressions of profound sorrow for his death, from the learned world and from the Christian Church, far beyond the limits of this Ministerium, we, with whom he was connected by special ties, and in whose common interests, as a Church, he participated with such heartiness and such eminent ability, lament him as a friend and advocate of whatever is pure and good and true, and bewail his departure as that of a wise counselor and faithful guide.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the eminent talents and the spiritual graces with which these brethren were severally endowed, and are thankful for the Providence that called them and strengthened them to labor so long and so faithfully in fellowship with us as teachers and ministers of the Word.

Resolved, That we fondly cherish the memory of their intelligence, their zeal, and their sincere devotion; and to this Ministerium itself, as well as to those whom they more directly served in holy things, their names shall ever be precious as the names of brethren beloved.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to transmit a copy of this action to the families of these departed brethren.

C. W. SCHAEFFER,
G. A. HINTERLEITNER,
W. J. MANN.

This report was adopted by the members of the Ministerium rising to their feet.

Rev. F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D., presented the Report on the Proper Methods of Dealing with the American Indians on the Part of our Government. It reads as follows:

REPORT ON THE PROPER METHODS OF DEALING WITH THE AMERICAN INDIANS ON THE PART OF OUR GOVERNMENT.

The documents placed in the hands of your committee, addressed to the "President of the Lutheran Synod at Norristown," consist of a series of papers on the subject of the proper policy to be pursued by our Government toward the American Indians, sent by Mr. James W. M. Newlin, of Philadelphia, requesting the approval of the "Platform of Principles" sent with them.

The papers enclosed in the envelope are a copy of a resolution passed February 8, 1883, by the Legislature of Pennsylvania, and approved by Gov. Robert E. Pattison February 13, endorsing the policy recommended in the "Platform of Principles," letters from Bishop Stevens, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, of the Episcopal Church, and Archbishop Wood of the Roman Catholic Church, action of the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a document signed by the editors of most of the secular papers of Philadelphia, all approving of the proposed plan and in harmony with the resolution of the Legislature of Pennsylvania. A blank form of petition to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States is also enclosed for signature by the officers of the body, in case of approval by the Synod, for transmission to Washington.

Your committee, whilst not prepared to advise the adoption of the "Platform of Principles" as a whole, for it is of such a character as to admit of diversity of sentiment, yet believe the object proposed to be accomplished by it—the amelioration of the condition of the Indians by giving them a Christian and civilized educa-

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tion, and qualifying them for citizenship—to be so just and benevolent that they do not hesitate to propose for adoption by this Synod, as in harmony with their convictions, the following action:

Resolved, That we commend to our pastors and people the subject of amelioration of the condition of the Indians in our country in the way proposed in this "Platform of Principles" "as a just and benevolent design," and urge them to aid in serving by all proper and judicious measures the noble end intended to be accomplished by the proposed plan of action.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent, properly authenticated by the Secretaries, to the gentleman who has sent the papers for the consideration of the Synod.

F. A. MUHLENBERG,
H. E. JACOBS,
WM. HAUFF.

It was received and adopted.

Synod now adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. W. Early, of Trevorton.

TENTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 23, 1883, 9 A.M.

Synod convened and was opened with Divine Services conducted by Rev. D. H. Geissinger, of Easton. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following were appointed to conduct the election of the Committee on the Publications of the Ministerium: Revs. Z. H. Gabel, C. E. Houpt, and Mr. A. Bendel.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., moved a reconsideration of that part of the Report of the Committee on Publications which limits the number of members to three. It was carried. He then moved that the committee consist of five, the Treasurer being one. It was so ordered.

Subsequently the tellers reported the following as elected: Revs. J. Fry, D.D., *ex-officio*, Fr. Wischan, W. K. Frick, Mr. J. C. File, and W. H. Staake, Esq.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That all other arrangements heretofore made by the Ministerium for the oversight and management of any of its publications be hereby terminated, and the entire control on the part of the Ministerium of all its publications shall be entrusted to the Committee on Publication just appointed, subject to existing contracts—except that the official printing required by any of the Officers of the Ministerium shall be under their own control.

Rev. Fr. Wischan offered the following, which was adopted:

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Resolved, That the Committee on Publication have authority to make arrangements with the persons now holding contracts and agreements with reference to any of the publications belonging to the Ministerium, for the transfer of the control of such publications to the Ministerium on such terms as may be agreed upon.

Rev. T. T. Iaeger now read the following

REPORT ON THE SUPPORT OF DISABLED MINISTERS AND PASTORS' WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

Report of the committee which was appointed by Synod at its last meeting to gather information in reference to the wants of disabled pastors, and widows and orphans of pastors, in order more efficiently to care for their support:

After diligent investigation it was found that there are 22 widows of pastors in this Synod.

Among our pastors we find conditions exceedingly favorable, inasmuch as we know of only three ministers disabled by infirmities of age or other causes.

Two of these and seven or eight of the widows will likely need aid from this Synod.

As this matter is important, and requires by the honor of this body to render necessary aid to the needy, and as the former arrangements were inadequate to give proper attention to individual cases—inasmuch as those only were aided who made application, whilst others who by reason of modesty did not do so, received nothing—and inasmuch as by this arrangement more work and responsibility falls upon the President than is proper, therefore this committee would recommend to Synod to charge its officers with the duty, first, to inquire into all cases where pastors are compelled by sickness or age to retire from service; second, and also into such cases where by the death of a pastor the widow or orphans may need aid.

Furthermore, they shall have power, according to ascertained circumstances and the means in the Treasury for this purpose, to fix a certain sum to be paid to such parties by the Treasurer of Synod every six months until the order is recalled by the committee.

The report was received, amended, and adopted as it appears on the minutes.

Rev. Dr. Schmucker offered the following:

Resolved, That the officers be instructed to examine, in the past action of the Ministerium, what has been done with reference to the persons to whom the revenue of Pastors' Widows and Orphans may be paid, and to propose action on this subject.

Carried.

The committee appointed to report on the Luther Anniversary was discharged.

Rev. *Dr. Schmucker* offered the following:

Resolved, That the Conferences, pastoral associations, pastors, and congregations be urged to make arrangements for the suitable commemoration of the 400th anniversary of Luther's birthday.

Adopted.

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Rev. F. J. F. Schantz offered the Report on Systematic Beneficence. It reads as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Your committee would report that the whole amount raised for benevolent objects during the last synodical year, as indicated by reports from pastoral charges, is $18,100.40. The amount for the previous year was $16,155.

Table No. II. exhibits the apportionments of last year, the amounts secured in the respective charges to date, and also the apportionments for the years 1883 and 1884.

The committee recommends the following:

Resolved, That the Conferences during this year be charged with the duty of preparing and presenting to Synod at its next meeting the percentage of apportionments for the charges within their respective districts.

The funds needed for the new synodical year will be for

Synodical Purposes	$3000
Education	5000
Theological Seminary	1000
Muhlenberg College	1000
Home Missions (Pennsylvania Synod) } City Missions (Philadelphia) }	6000
Foreign Missions	2500
Total	$18,500

The amount for English and German Home Mission of General Council to be determined by the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE.

It was received for consideration.

Rev. Dr. Schmucker moved that the apportionment of last year be adopted for this year, subject to any changes which the Conferences may make. It was carried.

With several amendments and suggestions, it was adopted as it now stands in the minutes.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence was appointed as follows: Revs. F. J. F. Schantz, B. F. Apple, E. E. Sibole, J. J. Cressman, C. J. Cooper, H. B. Strodach, H. N. Fegely, and A. P. Pfleuger.

Rev. S. Laird offered the following Report on the Interests of City Missions:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INTERESTS OF CITY MISSIONS.

The committee appointed to devise methods by which greater and more general interest may be awakened and sustained in the Philadelphia City Missions have considered the matter submitted to them, and consulted with others also directly interested, but not on the committee, and recommend the following action for adoption by the Ministerium:

1. To change the manner of managing this mission work so as to lodge it in the hands of two committees, one English, the other German, instead of one committee, as in the present arrangement.

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2. That these two committees be constituted by the appointment on them of all the pastors of self-sustaining congregations in the city, according to their respective language, and of one layman from each of such congregations, which lay member shall be elected by the council of the church which he represents.

3. That the Executive Committee of the Ministerium shall make appropriations to these two committees, as heretofore it has made to one committee.

4. That each committee may receive and appropriate any additional funds contributed for any special or general objects connected with this work.

5. Each committee shall render an annual report of its operations to the Synod.

S. Laird,
H. Grahn,
A. Spaeth,
J. K. Plitt,
W. H. Staake,
C. D. Colladay.

It was received and adopted.

It was resolved that Rev. Drs. Mann and Seiss be authorized to call the respective committees together.

Rev. W. A. Schaeffer read the following

REPORT ON PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Your Committee on Parochial Reports would respectfully report that in endeavoring to discharge the duty assigned them they have found:

1. That a number of pastors have thus far failed to hand in the reports asked of them.

2. That a large number have not filled up one or more blanks, such as "members communed within the year," the number of teachers and scholars in their Sunday-schools, the amount of money raised for "congregational expenses," &c.

3. That some of the pastors when spoken to about these blanks willingly adopted the suggestion of the committee, and filled them up with estimated amounts or figures, whilst others positively refused to do this, or in any way to make their reports more complete.

Your committee therefore recommend that the pastors be urged to pay more attention to the matter of these reports, and that hereafter they faithfully endeavor to secure from the secretaries and treasurers of their churches, and from the superintendents of their Sunday-schools, the statistics necessary to make complete and satisfactory Parochial Reports.

And, inasmuch as the printed form now used is incomplete in one place, and confusing in another, your committee also recommend that the words "Officers and" be hereafter placed before the word "Teachers" under the item of Sunday-schools; and that the words "Total Amount" under "Contributions" be omitted.

Wm. Ashmead Schaeffer,
George D. Foust,
H. S. Fegley,
I. W. Bieber,
D. K. Kepner,
F. W. Heckel, M.D.

It was received and referred to the Executive Committee with instruction to revise the Form for Parochial Reports.

It was adopted as a whole.

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It was resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay expenses of committees appointed by Synod occasioned by correspondence, publication of circulars, and postage, provided that such bills are approved by the Executive Committee.

Rev. E. E. Sibole now read the following Report on the Treasurer's Account:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Your committee would respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and compared his vouchers with the same, and have found all correct, with the gratifying result of finding a balance in his hands of $3805.86.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WAMPOLE,
E. E. SIBOLE,
J. M. ANSPACH,
R. B. MILLER,
P. STEPHANY.

It was received and adopted.

Rev. I. N. S. Erb read the following Report on Excuses:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES.

The Committee on Excuses would respectfully report that the following brethren have forwarded satisfactory reasons for absence from the present meeting of the Synod, and asked to be excused:

Revs. M. O. Rath, J. B. Rath, Erle, Prof. Martin, Beates, Mayser, Rumple, H. S. Miller, Hantz, D. Kuntz, Koerner, F. C. Kaehler, Bruning, Apple, Ehinger, Hennicke, G. F. Miller, D. E. Reed, Sanner, Erdman, and Mr. Benj. Kiehl.

A like request was made by the following Lay Delegates: Messrs. Kiehl, Keller, Hubley, Michler, Weaver, Berndt, Frankenfield.

Your committee recommend that the requests of these brethren be granted.

Respectfully submitted, THE COMMITTEE.

It was received and adopted.

Rev. G. A. Hinterleitner offered the following:

Resolved, That our Synod does not find it in accordance with its authorized privileges that its members should preach in churches of other denominations during the convention of Synod, and that it earnestly disapproves of such action.

This resolution was referred to the following committee: Revs. G. F. Krotel, D.D., G. A. Hinterleitner, and H. E. Jacobs, D.D.

Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., Delegate to the New York Ministerium, offered the Report of the Delegate to the New York Ministerium. It reads as follows:

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REPORT OF THE DELEGATE TO THE NEW YORK MINISTERIUM.

The undersigned attended the 81st Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of New York and Adjacent States and Countries, held at the German Evangelical Lutheran Zion's Church, in Rochester, N. Y., from June 15 to 20, 1882.

The list of the Ministerium at present shows 66 congregations, 74 pastors, 28 parochial schools, with 46 teachers, and about 22,000 communicants.

Though a great deal of the time of Synod was taken up with a very painful case of discipline, the meeting was of a very harmonious character.

The Ministerium of New York is making noble efforts to provide for the support of a number of brethren who are in need of assistance, in consequence of sore affliction which has fallen on them.

The next convention will be held in St. Mark's German Lutheran Church, city of New York, on Thursday, May 31.

Respectfully submitted,

A. SPAETH.

It was adopted.

Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., was appointed Delegate to the Ministerium of New York this year.

Rev. W. A. Schaeffer offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in accordance with the recommendation of the General Council, this Synod appoints Ash Wednesday as a day of fasting and prayer to be kept in each year, and the pastors and congregations are hereby urged to observe it.

Resolved, That the General Council be requested to give the Church, at the earliest day possible, a form of service for such an occasion, as well as for the festival days not occurring on the Lord's day.

Rev. D. H. Geissinger proposed the following Amendment to the Constitution of the Ministerium:

Amendment to the Constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States, submitted at Norristown, Pa., May, 1883:

Section 35 of the Constitution to be amended thus: The President shall continue in office from year to year, without annual re election, unless removed for sufficient cause by a vote of two-thirds of the members of Synod. He shall devote his entire time to his office of oversight, and shall not be in charge of an individual congregation. He shall receive an adequate salary for his services, and his official expenses shall be paid by the Synod. The other officers shall continue in office until in the next annual meeting of the Synod new officers have been elected. They are re-eligible. The Secretaries, however, shall not hold the same office more than three years in succession, unless the Synod re-elect them by a four-fifth vote of all the members present. This amendment shall go into force at the election for officers taking place at the annual meeting of Synod first after its adoption. The President then elected shall continue in office as permanent President.

To Section 103 shall be added: But any Conference of this Synod may continue its President permanently in office and provide him with an adequate salary, as in the case of the President of Synod.

Proposed by D. H. GEISSINGER.
Seconded by E. E. SIBOLE,
H. B. STRODACH,
CHAS. L. FRY.

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It was referred to the Committee on the Constitution of the Ministerium and Conferences.

Rev. Dr. Schmucker offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretaries communicate the action of the Ministerium on the New Seminary Buildings to the Synods interested in the Seminary.

On motion of Dr. A. Spaeth, a delegate is to be appointed to the Pittsburg Synod to represent the interests of the New Seminary Buildings. The delegate is not yet appointed.

It was resolved that the time for adjournment be extended.

It was resolved that the secretaries be authorized to publish as many copies of the minutes in German and English as may be necessary.

Rev. F. A. Kaehler offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to gather information as to the extent to which woman's work in the service of the Church has been organized in our congregations, in accordance with Synod's recommendation at Pottstown, in 1881, and report at the next annual meeting of this Ministerium. The committee consists of Revs. F. A. Kaehler, J. R. Groff, Enoch Smith, Z. H. Gabel.

The invitation from St. John's Lutheran Congregation in Reading, for this Ministerium to meet in their church next year, was accepted.

The President announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Examining Committee.—Revs. E. Greenwald, D.D., G. A. Hinterleitner, A. Martin, A.M., B. Sadtler, D.D., S. Laird, A.M., G. F. Spieker, A.M. and J. W. Hassler, A.M.

Archivarius.—Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D.

On Finance.—Messrs. C. D. Colladay, R. B. Miller, and W. H. Staake, Esq.

On Memoirs.—Revs. A. Spaeth, D.D., B. M. Schmucker, D.D, J. K. Plitt, B. Sadtler, D.D., J. Schindel, P. Pfatteicher, L. Groh, J. J. Kuendig, M. C. Horine, J. W. Hassler, E. Greenwald, D.D., J. A. Darmstaetter, J. F. Wampole, J. R. Groff, and J. W. Early.

On Minutes of last year.—The Secretaries of the Ministerium.

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ANNIVERSARY AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

On Thursday evening the Luther Anniversary services were held. The altar service was conducted by Rev. J. Kohler, and addresses were delivered by Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., in English, and Rev. G. F. Spieker in German.

On Friday evening a meeting was held in the interests of missions. Rev. C. W. Schaeffer, D.D., conducted the altar service, and Rev. F. J. F. Schantz delivered an address in English and Rev. Fr. Wischan in German.

On Saturday evening a meeting was held in the interests of the Orphan's Home and Asylum. Revs. Fr. Wischan and Cooper and Messrs. J. C. File and H. Lehman made addresses.

On Sunday morning Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., preached, and in the evening Rev. J. M. Anspach, in the Trinity Lutheran Church.

On Sunday afternoon a Sunday-school service was held, at which Revs. C. E. Houpt, A. P. Pflueger, F. J. F. Schantz, and J. F. Wampole made addresses.

On Monday evening services were held in the interests of Muhlenberg College. Rev. J. K. Plitt conducted the altar services. Rev. B. Sadtler, D.D., made an address in English, and Rev. W. J. Mann in German.

ORDINATION SERVICES.

Ordination services were held on Tuesday evening. The sermon was preached by Rev. F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D., from 2 Corinthians, vi. 3. Twelve young men were solemnly ordained to the Gospel ministry by the President of Synod, Rev. Joseph A. Seiss, D.D., by the laying on of hands, assisted by the other officers of Synod.

The names of the young men ordained are:

J. H. R. Wendel,	J. H. Umbenhen,
J. G. Amschler,	J. W. Klingler,
C. K. Binder,	A. G. Voigt,
J. P. Booher,	T. E. Schmauk,
F. K. Bernd,	Solomon B. Stupp,
G. W. Sandt,	W. Yeisley.

As this was the last public service, the President returned the thanks of Synod, in a brief address, to the pastor and congregation of

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Trinity Lutheran Church and to the community for the very hospitable entertainment of the Ministerium during its sessions in Norristown.

The minutes of this session were now read and approved.

The Ministerium then adjourned *sine die* according to the form prescribed in its Liturgy.

M. C. HORINE,
English Secretary

Reading, Pa., May 29, 1883.

ERRORS IN ROLL.

Rev. H. S. Miller's name should have been omitted from the list of those present, and placed in the list of those absent.

"J. C. Frill" should read "J. C. File."

"Jacob Heckelter" should read "Jacob Heck, Alternate."

"J. M. Watzler" should read "J. M. Wetzler."

Page 33—"Mrs. Bruner" should read "Mrs. Bremer."

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II.—MINISTERIAL BUSINESS.

FIRST SESSION.

TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, NORRISTOWN, PA.,
Friday, May 18, 1883, 1.45 P.M.

The Ministerium convened according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by Rev. E. A. Bauer, of Hazleton.

The Examining Committee offered the following report:

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

The Examining Committee begs leave to report that they have held a colloquium with the Rev. Joseph Rechtsteiner, of the Pittsburg Synod, and the Rev. Dr. D. M. Henkel, of the Indiana Synod, and have resolved to recommend their reception into Synod.

Twelve candidates for ordination presented themselves before us, namely:
Jacob Hugo Rudolph Wendel, of Wuerttenberg.
John George Amschler, of Bavaria.
Clarence Kunckel Binder, of Philadelphia.
John F. Booher, of Tennessee.
Franklin K. Bernd, of Lehighton.
George Washington Sandt, of Easton.
John Henry Umbenhen, of Myerstown.
John Walker Klingler, of Reading.
Andrew George Voigt, of Philadelphia.
Theodore Emanuel Schmauk, of Allentown.
Solomon B. Stupp, of Philadelphia.
Wilson Yeisley, of Stroudsburg.

After holding an examination with these applicants, your committee resolved to recommend them all for ordination.

E. GREENWALD, *Chairman.*

Attest: G. F. SPIEKER, *Secretary.*

This report was adopted, and all the candidates for admission to Synod and for ordination were accepted.

It was resolved that the candidates for ordination be ordained on next Tuesday evening.

In reference to Rev. G. F. Woerner's withdrawal from Synod it was resolved that we disapprove of his withdrawal, and that his name be stricken from the roll of the Ministerium.

Rev. Fr. Wischan moved that Mr. Horak be placed under the care and oversight of Rev. E. A. Bauer. It was so ordered.

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It was further resolved that Mr. Horak be referred to the Second Conference for examination, and, if he be found worthy, he be ordained by the Conference in the name of the Ministerium.

This action was taken in virtue of the extraordinary circumstances which especially call for the services of this young man.

The Ministerium now adjourned with the Lord's Prayer, led by the President.

SECOND SESSION.

MONDAY, May 21, 1883, 5 P.M.

This Session was opened with prayer by Rev. J. Fry, D.D.

By motion of Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., offered the following Report on Ministerial Business:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL BUSINESS.

NORRISTOWN, May 18, 1883.

Sundry papers touching the case of Rev. F. Ehinger, and certain views he was said to entertain concerning the so-called "Temple Colony" in Palestine and its head, Rev. Christopher Hofmann, in the Holy Land, were placed into the hands of your committee. After a careful consideration of the matter, your committee proposes the following:

WHEREAS, The papers referring to this case, and handed to us, are not of such a character as to enable your committee to reach any definite conclusion;

AND WHEREAS, The Rev. F. Ehinger is not present at this meeting of Synod; therefore,

Resolved, That the Rev. F. Ehinger be officially cited to appear at the next meeting of this Ministerium, and to answer to the charges of the conference against him.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. MANN,
JNO. W. HASSLER,
T. T. IAEGER,
JOHN GRUHLER,
ENOCH SMITH.

This report was adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Roll of Ministers was here considered.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PROPOSE A REVISION OF THE ROLL OF MINISTERS.

Your committee appointed at the meeting of this Synod last year to examine the roll of ministers, and eventually to propose a revision of the same, has performed its duty as far as practicable. The result of its labors is as follows:

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Pastor Schall, since many years returned to Germany, and now in the service in the Church of the Fatherland, having been asked as to the question of his return to this country, did not answer yet.

F. WALZ,
W. RATH,
W. WACKERNAGEL.

It was resolved that, inasmuch as Pastor Schall has an official position in Germany, his name be hereafter omitted from the roll.

The report was adopted.

On motion of Rev. J. Fry, D.D., the Ministerium adjourned with the Lord's Prayer, led by the President.

M. C. HORINE,
English Secretary.

Reading, Pa. May 29, 1883.

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PAROCHIAL REPORTS, &C., FOR 1883.

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TABLE No. 1.

Parochial Reports for the Year Ending Thursday before Trinity, May 17, 1883.

NAMES OF PASTORS AND MINISTERS.	PASTORATES.				ACCESSIONS.			BAPT'SMS		LOSSES.			PAROCHIAL SCH'LS		SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.					
	Entered the Ministry.	Number of Congregations.	Confirmed Membership.	Communed within the year	By Confirmation.	From Luth. Congregations.	From Other Congregations.	Infant.	Adult.	By Death of Confirmed.	By Removals & Withdrawals	By Exclusion.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Lutheran.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Other.	Teachers.	Pupils.
Rev. H. S. Miller*	1823																			
" J. Jaeger	1827	1		320	31			22		7					1	34	200			
" I. Roeller*	1829																			
" H. I. Schmidt, D.D.†	1829																			
" E. Greenwald, D.D.[1]	1831	1	825	715		9		43	4	23	9									
" A. J. Spangenberg, Ph.D.	1832																			
" C. F. Welden	1833	1	100	88	11	6		39							1	16	130			
" C. W. Schaeffer, D.D.†	1835							1												
" C. L. Erle*	1840																			
" W. G. Laitzle[2]	1841	2		450	20	3		71	3	17					1	61	604			
" E. A. Bauer	1841	1	600	550	54			143							1	38	375			
" Jos. A. Seiss, D.D.	1842	1	265	210	7		5	7	2	6	3				1	23	166			
" A. Berg	1842	1	168	123		4	2	7		8	10				1	14	115			
" W. J. Mann, D.D.	1842	1	700	700	53			155					2	95	1	84	1137			
" W. Weaver*	1843																			
" A. J. Weddell	1843	1	414	367	17	6		22	5	2	7				1	29	384			
" J. C. Schmidt*	1844																			
" W. S. Emery	1844	1	480	430	4	5	3	24	2	19	4							4	45	250
" J. Kohler†	1844																			
" B. Sadtler, D.D.‡	1844																			

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" J. G. Abele	1846	1	150	104	7	8		18		6					1	8	65			
" R. S. Wagner[3]	1846																			
" W. Gerhard, D.D.†	1847																			
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	1847	1	350	280	8	6		15	1	4					1	40	218			
" G. F. Krotel, D.D.	1848	1	650		33	17	1	25	1	4	2				1	37	285			
" G. F. Miller	1848																			
" T. T. Iaeger	1848	5	950	920	110			124	1	100								6	60	450
" F. Walz[4]	1848	3	1000	900	73	6	1	52	4	13	5						200			
" H. Weicksel	1848	8	822	679	18			78		15								7	49	376
" D. M. Henkel, D.D.*	1849																			
" J. K. Plitt	1850	1	90	84	5			5	1	2					1	10	70			
" G. A. Hinterleitner	1851	1	409	321	18	9		37		11	19				1	23	300			
" Thos. Steck	1851																			
" P. F. Zizelmann	1851	1	48	500	49		24	93		9	5		1	30	1	24	300			
" W. Rath	1852	6	1200	897	55			40	3	31					2					
" S. Yingling	1852	1	139	71	11	13	2	8	2	2	4				1	28	305			
" G. F. Gardner	1853	1	260	243	26	10		52		5	15				1	25	230			
" B. W. Schmauk	1853	1	550	385	20	30		30		12					1	50	530			
" J. Fry, D.D.	1853	1	1050	822	65	23	2	75	4	19	19	1			1	85	900			
" J. W. Hassler	1854	1	248	186	11	1		7	6	2	6				1	20	150			
" F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D.†	1854																			
" R. Hill	1854	1	450	330	31	10	2	20		4	10				1	30	420	1	25	350
" F. Berkemeyer	1855	3	480		30	5		17		12	6							3	35	127
" D. M. Martens	1855	4	575	456	14	1		42	1	14					1	48	210	3	45	230
" H. Grahn	1856	1	700	560	42			179		9			2	80	1	35	340			
" J. F. Wampole	1856	5	850	650	56	6		56	2	10	6							10	150	1000
" F. J. F. Schantz	1857	2	500	456	24	9	1	36	4	4	7				2	29	250			
" F. Ehinger	1857	2	300	214	11	6		17		8					2	12	130			
" J. F. Bayer	1858	5	600	500	36			35	2	8					1	12		5		
" D. Kuntz	1858	3	950	825	64			42	4	21										
" B. E. Kramlich	1858	5	1394	1215	79	25		90		35					2	20	200	5	50	600
" B. H. Hunt*	1858																			
" F. T. Hennicke	1858	1	175	154	7	1		13		7	3				1	16	100			
" J. A. Darmstaetter	1859	2	280	273	18	2	5	24		3	6				2	18	145			
" O. Leopold	1859	5	600	540	47			45	1	37					2	35	300	3	40	350
" D. Sanner	1859																			

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Rev. B. D. Zweizig	1859	8	1900	1750	126	.....	.....	246	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	.....
" A. Finfrock	1859	5	1327	975	58	.....	.....	84	1	17	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	700
" A. R. Horne, D.D.	1859	3	448	359	22	5	1	22	2	5	6	.....	.....	.....	1	12	125	2	39	311
" J. H. Voss	1859	3	320	141	13	5	.....	16	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	5	52	3	3	42
" J. W. Early[5]	1860	3	325	210	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	21	100	.....	.....	.....
" J. H. Fritz*	1860	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" J. J. Kuendig	1860	1	.....	1090	72	.....	.....	121	.....	19	4	.....	3	160	2	76	800	.....	.....	.....
" P. Pfatteicher	1860	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" J. B. Rath	1860	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" G. A. Struntz	1860	3	344	282	22	11	2	37	.....	1	8	2	.....	.....	2	19	170	.....	.....	.....
" H. H. Bruning	1860	1	199	175	5	13	4	34	2	2	6	.....	.....	.....	1	15	200	.....	.....	.....
" A. Martin†	1860	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Enoch Smith	1860	1	500	400	16	.....	.....	34	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	34	500	.....	.....	.....
" A. Spaeth, D.D.†	1861	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" S. Laird	1861	1	637	.....	17	15	2	16	.....	8	23	1	.....	.....	1	57	400	.....	.....	.....
" J. H. Schmidt	1861	4	.....	160	17	10	.....	54	.....	16	30	15	.....	.....	2	14	150	.....	.....	.....
" T. Heilig	1861	2	230	180	3	.....	.....	2	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	20	140	1	7	50
" G. A. Bruegel	1861	4	750	500	29	.....	.....	30	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	95	11	50	360
" J. R. Groff	1861	1	210	150	12	1	.....	10	.....	1	4	.....	.....	.....	1	23	220	.....	.....	.....
" A. M. Strauss	1861	6	810	689	45	.....	.....	84	.....	16	19	.....	.....	.....	1	12	120	4	.....	.....
" B. F. Apple[6]	1862	1	130	125	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	16	75	.....	.....	.....
		4	840	700	59	10	2	52	4	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	40	225	5	.....	.....
" W. B. Fox	1862	4	975	850	64	15	5	90	2	21	10	.....	.....	.....	1	30	120	5	.....	.....

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"	J. G. Pfuhl	1862	1	430	364	24	23		36		12	8				1	35	325			
"	J. M. Anspach	1862	1	267	195	15	13	1	11	5	4	12				1	30	340			
"	L. Groh	1868	2	1295	920	78	16		90		24	15				2	46	550	10	95	475
"	G. F. W. Guensch	1868	1	800	300	11	1		19		5					1	30	150			
"	J. S. Renninger	1868	5	1508	1385	63			81		18								15	215	1600
"	H. Giess	1863																			
"	M. Schimpf	1863	1	138	138	8		1	13	1		4				1	16	100			
"	M. C. Horine	1868	1	520	385	54	7		45	4	12	4				1	32	487			
"	W. Rieb	1864	1	600	584	43	15		146	3	31	5		1	100	1	25	350			
"	S. A. K. Francis	1864	1	375	250	29		2	84	4	9	4				1	23	450			
"	M. H. Richards†	1864	1	36	31				2							1	20	120			
"	M. B. Lenker	1865	4	330	220	24			59		2					1	10	90	1	8	50
"	J. C. Disinger	1865	1	400	270	26			59		6			1	60	1	28	200			
"	G. W. Frederick*	1866																			
"	W. O. Cornman	1866																			
"	J. Gruhler	1866	1	250	173	17	5		38	1	3	3				1	22	120			
"	H. E. Jacobs, D.D.†	1866																			
"	J. J. Cressman	1867	2	600	576	75	10		46	1	13	10							2	45	350
"	J. Hillpot	1867	6	735	635	9					12					1			5		
"	D. K. Humbert	1867	7	1774	1666	81			116		27	30							15	190	1460
"	J. D. Schindel	1867	3	900	675	76	27	11	97	2	20	10	4			2	45	575	2	28	325
"	T. L. Seipt	1867																			
"	G. F. Spieker	1867	3	436		47			30		4	7				2			1		
"	J. Zentner	1867	1	760	700	61		10	95		20	5		1	40	3	30	500			
"	F. W. Weisskotten	1868	1			74	21		167					2	90	2	92	1060			
"	E. L. Reed	1868	1	200	145	10	19	1	24	1	5					1	23	260			
"	S. S. Henry	1868	3	220	161	23			4		7					2	15	120	1	6	40
"	D. D. Trexler	1868	5	550	475	60			23		12										
"	Z. H. Gabel	1868	6	1100	100	63			120	6	15					2	30	230	3	30	250
"	J. M. Hantz*	1868																			
"	F. P. Mayser	1868	1	1080	600	51	53	7	54		16			2	60	1	40	375			
"	H. S. Fegley	1869	5	800	540	29			50		15								8	60	450
"	F. K. Huntzinger	1869	3	950	825	104			157	4	30					1	30	500	4		
"	P. Isenschmid	1869	1	200	208	6	4	2	37		7	4				1	24	180			
"	C. Koerner	1869																			
"	W. A. Schaeffer	1869	1	106	97	18	15	2	15							1	17	250			

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Rev. H. C. Schmidt (Missionary)	1869																			
" Augustus Linsz	1869	1	120	70		6		32		4					1	10	90			
" D. E. Reed	1869	6		180	14	2		24		2								5		
" C. J. Cooper	1870	2	600	375	26	28		41		10	21	17			3	45	250	1	15	120
" D. K. Kepner	1870	1	1100	916	62	70		113	5	25	10				1	51	755	3	20	200
" W. H. Strauss	1870	5	1700	900	44		2	40		16	6				1		60	10		
" F. C. C. Kaehler	1870																			
" I. W. Bieber	1871	2	980	690	36			41		11	9							6	65	525
" F. F. Buermeyer	1871																			
" G. D. Foust	1871	1	175	138	2	6	1			2	2				1	17	127			
" I. K. Poulsen (Missionary)	1871																			
" W. H. Rickert	1871	1	195	145	23	15	3	31		1	9				1	16	170			
" F. Wischan	1871	1	390	600	43			131		30	15		4	190	1	126	675			
" H. N. Fegley	1872	2	273	244	3	3	1	8	2	5	3				2	27	316			
" D. H. Geissinger	1872	1	617	520	20	6	3	34	1	7	6				2	70	678			
" J. Neff	1872	2	300	248	7	5	5	42	6	8	1				2	45	338			
" I. N. S. Erb	1873	6	600	500	58	10		56		17					1	25	180	5	50	500
" W. K. Frick	1873	1	150	138	7	8	2	12	2	6	7	4			1	27	266			
" M. J. Kramlich	1873	1	75	70				8										1	20	150
" W. H. Kuntz	1873	3	540	435	32			70	2	12								8	60	600
" J. J. Kuntz	1873	5	585	525	46			67	4	24	3							5	30	300
" J. W. Rumple*	1873																			
" S. A. Ziegenfuss	1873	2	590	460	27	12	2	21		5	10	6			1	35	196	3		

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"	E. E. Sibole	1873	1	364		13	5		10	4	7	4	2			1	46	394			
"	F. A. Kaehler	1874	1	330	290	21			5	2	7					1	23	270			
"	A. J. Long	1874	5	1000	850	46	8		40	1	23	5							5	25	325
"	J. H. Neiman	1874	3	595	500	60		4	43	2	14	3				2	25	175	1	10	50
"	J. F. Ohl	1874	3	794	607	43	9	1	35	1	5	12				1	22	225	1	12	75
"	O. P. Smith	1874	3	900	800	37	5	1	15	12	21					1	23	157	2	34	175
"	B. S. Smoll	1874	4	850	775	67			59	1	15								12	120	1000
"	D. M. Stetler†	1874	6	470	405	5	5		42	1	3	6				1	9	84	3	26	375
"	H. B. Strodach	1874	1	125	101	7			5	2		7				1	10	75			
"	F. P. Bender	1875	1	685	560	85	67		248	2	5	2		1	75	1	58	750			
"	D. L. Coleman†	1875																			
"	H. T. Duensing	1875	1	300	285	14			38		5	3				1	30	275			
"	C. Elvin Houpt	1875	1	271	214	20	6		80	4	6	1		3	36	1	29	330			
"	W. H. Laubenstein	1875	2	375	335	26	13	1	41		20	4				1	21	210			
"	J. E. Nidecker	1875	1	480	412	32	32		54	1	7	10		1	30	1	16	165			
"	E. S. Brownmiller	1875	4	450	375	11	21	1	33	3	3					2	24	210			
"	J. S. Erb	1876	4	565	500	24	19	4	38		2					3	30	340	2	10	100
"	C. J. Hirzel	1876	1	101	68	2	1		7			7				1	10	79			
"	W. H. Myers	1876	1	300	223	25	10	8	27	1	1	11	3			1	32	330			
"	A. P. Pflueger	1876	2	723	488	22	5	3	48	8	5	6				2	25	200			
"	W. Wackernagel	1876	1	160	160	12			7		4					1	1	30	1	15	200
"	W. J. Andres	1877	4	650	570				70		18					1	1	125	5		500
"	J. L. Becker	1877	3	925	800	22	5	2	45	9	12										
"	A. E. Erdman	1877	3	425	350	50			30	1	12								3	40	400
"	C. G. Fischer	1877	1	107	117	6	9		20		1	3				1	11	75			
"	L. Lindenstruth	1877	2	425	398	22	11		34		5	5				3	66	300			
"	M. O. Rath	1877																			
"	L. Smith	1877	2	150	120				15	1	3	9							2	12	120
"	J. Q. Upp	1877	2	514	349	34	9	7	61		5	4							1	27	265
"	J. P. German	1878	7	521	470	69	6	6	50	1	11								4	20	375
"	J. W. Mattern	1878	1	60	50	5	1		2	1		2				1	10	55			
"	George P. Mueller	1878	1	135	126	11	4		30	1	2	7				1	19	139			
"	E. H. Pohle	1878	1	206	148	10			22	1	3					1	16	143			
"	Joseph Rechtsteiner	1878	1	150	175	24	1	1	34		5					1	24	150			
"	T. Joseph (Missionary)	1878																			
"	N. Paulus (Missionary)	1878																			

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Rev. H. T. Clymer*	1879																			
" A. B. Markley	1879	3	285	228	9	2		25	6	2	1	1			2	18	165	1	12	100
" S. E. Ochsenford	1879	2	593	374	46	2	1	36		7					1	16	166	1	12	144
" Ernest R. Cassaday	1880	1	85	80	13	16		18	1	1	4				1	17	245			
" J. F. C. Fluck	1880	1	167	157	9	16		33	1		3				1	18	220			
" J. W. Gauker	1880	4	300	272	15	3	3	18	7	12	5				1	21	112	3	38	270
" C. K. Drumheller*	1880	4	500	345		3		51		3								4	41	430
" H. G. B. Artman (Miss.)	1880																			
" E. H. Gerhart	1880	1	185	140	15	17	2	22		3					1	22	135			
" G. C. H. Hasskarl	1880	1	70	120		13		26	1			6			1	17	145			
" Wm. H. Geiger	1880	4	630	490	82			65	3	8	5				1	16	135	5	47	405
" Wm. J. Bieber	1881	3	550	356	24	2	2	27		12	6				1	12	87	1	24	140
" Charles L. Fry*	1881	1			35			16		12					1	58	465			
" U. P. Heilman	1881	2	675	573	65		2	48	3	18	3							3	35	275
" D. H. Reiter	1881	4	640	550	1	19	3	39		11	5							3	40	400
" H. E. Semmel	1881	3	315	250	28	4		7	5	8	6							1	10	100
" J. Luther Sibole	1881	1	351	288	31	12	3	8		2	9				1	31	525			
" Edgar M. Smith	1881																			
" Jacob P. Uhler†	1881																			
" Asher W Walter	1881	2	60	52	4			5	1						1	9	70	1	8	65
" M. L. Zweizig	1881	1	60	55	8	52	3	6			3				1	10	85			
" F. S. Dietrich (Miss.)	1882																			
" J. H. Kuder	1882	1	275	179				16		5	11				1	22	269			

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Contributions of Churches for

AMOUNT COLLECTED includes all moneys contributed for the various Benevolent
SPECIAL OBJECTS include moneys contributed for Benevolent Objects which are not
CONGREGATIONAL EXPENSES include moneys contributed for salaries of Pastor, Organ-
APPORTIONED 1883 and APPORTIONED 1884 are the apportionments made by the Com-

NAME OF PASTOR.	Apportioned for the current yr. '83-'84.	Apportioned for last year '82-'83.	Total Amount brought, '82-'83.	General Fund.	SYNODICAL FUNDS OF		
					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun., English.
Rev. J. Jaeger	$200	$200					
" E. Greenwald, D.D.[1]	800	800	$275 00	$261 56			
" C. F. Welden	25	25	28 75	25 00			
" J. A. Spangenberg, Ph.D							
" C. W. Schaeffer, D.D			25 00	25 00			
" W. G. Laitzle			226 70	10 00	$67 48	$80 34	
" E. A. Bauer	100	100	105 00	85 00			
" J. A. Seiss, D.D	300	300	475 00		200 00	250 00	
" A. Berg	50	50	50 00				
" Wm. J. Mann, D.D.	700	700	870 00	64 71	105 64	550 00	
" A. J. Weddell	250	250	265 00	265 00			
" W. S. Emery	50	50					
" J. G. Abele	15	15	20 17	10 00			
" R. S. Wagner	25	25	20 00	15 00		5 00	
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D	200	200	230 00	180 00			
" G. F. Krotel, D.D	500	500	500 00				
" G. F. Miller	10	10					
" F. Walz	200	200	148 24	13 24	30 00	10 00	10 00
" T. T. Iaeger	125	150	150 00	10 00	15 00	25 00	25 00
" H. Weicksel	70	70	71 03	25 70			11 44
" J. K. Plitt	25	25					
" G. A. Hinterleitner	100	100	112 00	80 00			
" Thomas Steck							
" P. F. Zizelmann	75	75	75 00				
" W. Rath	300	300	203 00	190 00	13 00	36 00	
" Samuel Yingling	20	20	20 00	20 00			
" G. F. Gardner	20	20	22 50	8 50		5 00	
" B. W. Schmauk	100	100	89 81	89 91			
" J. Fry, D.D	1000	700	870 00	870 00			
" J. W. Hassler	125	125	66 10	66 10			
" R. Hill	300	300	300 00	25 00	75 00	50 00	100 00
" F. Berkemeyer	200	200	157 81	157 81			
" D. M. Martens	100	100	102 00	102 38			
" H. Grahn[2]	150	150	137 00	107 00			
" J. F. Wampole	75	75	83 50	10 00	20 00	20 00	
" F. J. F. Schantz[3]	125	125	125 00	125 00			
" F. Ehinger			28 98		9 00		
" J. F. Bayer	60	60	50 00	50 00			
" D. Kuntz	150	150	150 00	150 00			

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directly sustained by Synod.
st, Choir, School Teachers, Sextons, repairs, and all usual expenses.
mittee on Systematic Beneficence for the last past and for the current synodical year.

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For Home Missions, Gen. Coun., German.	Foreign Missions	Pastors' Widows and Orphans Fund.	Donations and Legacies to the Int.-bear'g Fund	Cash Paid to Treasurer of Orphans' Home.	Approx. Val. of Articles Donated to Orph'ns' Home	Special Objects.	Total Contributions for General Benevolence.	Congregational Expenses.	Total for all Objects.
.....	.....	.....	.....	$54 00	.....	$210 00	$264 00	.....	.....
.....	$30 00	.....	.....	32 17	.....	4952 50	4576 28	$2703 36	$7279 64
$3 75	.....	.....	.....	57 96	.....	107 69	194 40	855 00	1049 40
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	68 98	.....	.....	68 60	.....	44 00	319 40	3011 00	3330 40
20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	535 00	640 00	1000 00	1640 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	1125 00	1725 00	9791 00	11,516.00
.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	60 00	750 00	810 00
150 00	.....	.....	$500 00	820 00	$200 00	3515 00	5908 35	7800 00	13,708.35
.....	.....	.....	.....	543 30	320 00	.....	1128 30	1690 20	2818 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	600 00	610 00
10 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73 50	93 67	744 00	837 07
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....
.....	50 00	.....	.....	33 00	.....	.....	485 85	1750 00	2235 85
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	222 85	.....	.....	.....
30 00	50 00	$5 00	.....	23 00	.....	40 50	211 74	1100 00	1311 74
25 00	50 00	.....	.....	45 00	.....	110 00	305 00	2200 00	2505 00
11 45	.....	22 34	.....	.....	.....	311 50	382 53	715 00	1097 53
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
32 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	725 00	112 00	1500 00	2343 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	203 36	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	170 00	2330 00	2500 00
.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 50	800 00	822 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	50 00	.....	159 91	1867 00	2426 91
.....	.....	.....	.....	201 00	.....	800 00	1846 00	3700 00	5546 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	44 50	.....	75 00	185 60	850 00	1025 60
.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	67 00	40 00	95 00	359 81	755 00	1114 81
.....	.....	.....	.....	10 45	.....	210 00	322 83	1000 00	1322 83
6 50	9 10	1 00	12 00	152 08	75 00	490 38	853 06	5161 00	6014 06
.....	20 00	5 00	.....	8 50	.....	500 00	583 50	1250 00	1828 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	54 13	209 13	1000 00	1209 13
13 85	6 13	.....	.....	17 85	15 00	167 20	229 03	1200 00	1429 03
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 28	2890 00	3040 00

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NAME OF PASTOR.	Apportioned for the current yr. '83–'84.	Apportioned for last year '82–'83.	Total Amount brought, '82–'83.	General Fund.	SYNODICAL FUNDS OF		
					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun., English.
Rev. B. E. Kramlich	$225	$225	$225 00	$225 00			
" F. F. Hennicke	50	50	35 00	35 00			
" J. A. Darmstaetter	70	70	110 00	5 00			
" O. Leopold	200	300	235 00			$35 00	$50 00
" D. Sanner	75	75	100 00	25 00			
" B. D. Zweizig	200	200	100 00	100 00			
" A. Finfrock[4]	200	200	145 59	145 59			
" A. R. Horne, D.D	30	30	44 00			25 00	
" J. H. Voss	20	20	4 00	2 00			
" J. W. Early[5]	30	30	30 00				
" J. J. Kuendig	500	500	335 00	100 00			
" P. Pfatteicher	175	175	100 00				
" J. B. Rath	100	125	100 00	100 00			
" G. A. Struntz	30	30	30 00				
" H. H. Bruning	35	35	46 67	46 67			
" A. Spaeth, D.D	400	400	210 00	210 00			
" S. Laird	1200	1200	1652 40	1269 10			383 30
" J. H. Schmidt	15	15	17 00				
" Theo. Heilig	25	25	26 66	26 66			
" G. A. Bruegel	100	100	100 00	100 00			
" J. R. Groff	25	25	10 00	10 00			
" A. M. Strauss	100	100	125 00	100 00			25 00
" Enoch Smith†	150	150	153 00	153 00			
" B. F. Apple	25		13 16			$13 16	
" W. B. Fox	200	200	207 75	190 75	$10 00		
" J. G. Pfuhl	50	50	50 00	25 00			
" J. M. Anspach	125	125	150 00	15 00		50 00	25 00
" L. Groh	325	325	389 00	60 00	90 00	100 00	
" J. S. Renninger[6]	300	300	300 00	300 00			
" H. Giesz	200	200	180 00	180 00			
" G. F. W. Guensch	50	50	55 00	38 00			
" M. Schimpf	25	25	25 00	25 00			
" M. C. Horine	200	200	178 77		26 47	25 32	
" W. Rieb	100	100	330 00	150 00	25 00	10 00	
" S. A. K. Francis	125	125	100 00	100 00			
" M. H. Richards	15		26 00	15 00			11 00
" M. B. Lenker	10	10	10 00	10 00			
" J. C. Dizinger	50	50	47 50	15 00	10 00		
" J. Gruhler	25	25	26 50	14 50		6 00	
" J. J. Cressman[7]	125	125	183 20	135 00			40 00
" J. Hillpot	100	100	85 17	85 17			
" D. K. Humbert	300	300	200 00	200 00			
" J. D. Schindel	150	150	150 00	150 00			
" G. F. Spieker[8]	75	75	75 00	71 60			
" J. Zentner	50	50	50 00	50 00			
" E. L. Reed	25	25	35 00	25 00			

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.....	.....	.....	.....	$25 00	.....	.....	$250 00	$200 00	$2250 00
$58 00	$42 00	$5 00	.....	23 00	.....	$249 00	382 00	950 00	1332 00
50 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2150 00	2385 00	1200 00	3585 00
40 00	20 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	500 00	600 00	1000 00	1600 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	19 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00	244 00	650 00	894 00
.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	600 00	604 00	175 00	879 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	225 00	255 00
466 15	137 00	.....	.....	105 00	.....	6874 70	7582 85	4000 00	11,582.85
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	40 00	1080 00	1120 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3137 46	4889 36	5607 77	11,597.63
.....	17 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	200 00	250 00	300 00	550 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	700 00	726 66
.....	.....	.....	.....	44 00	$175 00	154 50	473 30	1300 00	1773 30
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1100 00	1110 00	600 00	1710 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1200 00	1325 00	1000 00	2325 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	84 73	.....	.....	357 65	2300 00	2657 75
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	7 00	.....	.....	43 33	.....	131 00	381 08	1300 50	1731 08
25 00	.....	.....	.....	22 00	.....	375 00	457 00	1600 00	2057 00
.....	50 00	.....	.....	26 75	.....	310 00	476 73	2250 00	2701 75
.....	129 00	.....	.....	19 30	.....	660 00	1058 30	1700 00	2758 30
.....	.....	.....	$325 00	.....	.....	1500 00	2125 00	2000 00	4125 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 50	10 00	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	10 00	15 00	70 00	854 00	924 00
.....	127 38	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	203 77	2080 00	2310 77
55 00	80 00	10 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	425 00	2263 96	2688 96
.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	75 00	400 00	595 00	1800 00	2395 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500 00	526 00	329 38	855 38
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	15 00	300 00	315 00
15 00	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	77 50	1000 00	1077 50
6 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	428 64	460 00	672 00	1060 86
.....	8 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	233 30	1200 00	1433 20
.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	10 00	105 00	5700 00	5805 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	225 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44 75	4625 00	1850 00	6475 00
.....	3 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	4000 00	4075 00	1500 00	5575 00
10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	1100 00	1135 00

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NAME OF PASTOR.	Apportioned for the current yr. '83-'84.	Apportioned for last year '82-'83.	Total Amount brought, '82-'83.	General Fund.	SYNODICAL FUNDS OF		
					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun., English.
Rev. F. W. Weiskotten	$300	$300	$352 31	$150 00			
" D. D. Trexler	80	75	75 00	75 00			
" S. S. Henry	30		20 55				5 00
" Z. H. Gabel	150	150	96 00	96 00			
" F. P. Mayser	150	150	156 00	10 00	$25 00	$30 00	
" A. Linsz	5	5	5 00	5 00			
" H. S. Fegley	125	125	97 73	15 89	8 53	23 50	
" F. K. Huntzinger	100	100	62 00	62 00			
" P. Isenschmidt	75	75	54 50	35 00	10 00		
" W. A. Schaeffer	25	15	36 50	1 00	10 00	15 00	5 00
" C. J. Cooper	100	100	108 00	98 31	4 32	2 05	
" D. K. Kepner	225	225	225 00	225 00			
" D. E. Reed	15	15	15 00	15 00			
" W. H. Strauss	125	125	112 13	102 13			
" I. W. Bieber	200	200	229 00	219 00	10 00		
" F. F. Buermeyer							
" G. D. Foust	25	25	7 70	7 70			
" W. H. Rickert	20	20	20 00	20 00			
" Fr. Wischan	500	500	418 72	18 72	12 00	100 00	
" H. N. Fegley	150	150	175 99	5 00	75 00	50 00	20 00
" D. H. Geissinger	300	300	300 00	300 00			
" J. Neff	50	50	25 00	25 00			
" I. N. S. Erb	130	130	140 00	130 00			
" W. K. Frick	25	25	35 00	19 50			12 28
" M. J. Kramlich	10	10	11 00	11 00			
" W. H. Kuntz	75	75	75 00	75 00			
" J. J. Kuntz	100	100	100 00	100 00			
" S. A. Ziegenfuss	125	125	138 50	125 00		5 50	
" E. E. Sibole	500	500	1110 00	100 00	150 00	150 00	610 00
" F. A. Kaehler	200	200	350 00	125 00		75 00	
" A. J. Long	225	225	180 68	180 68			
" J. H. Neiman	75	50	85 80	85 80			
" J. F. Ohl	100	100	74 67				20 42
" O. P. Smith	175	175	175 00	175 00			
" B. S. Smoll[9]	80	80	80 00	80 00			
" D. M. Stetler	30	30	30 00	30 00			
" H. B. Strodach	25	25	25 00				
" F. P. Bender	75	75	75 00	50 00			
" H. T. Duensing	25	25	25 00	15 00		5 00	
" C. Elvin Houpt	75	75	30 00	25 00		5 00	
" W. H. Laubenstein	30	30	30 00	10 00		10 00	
" J. E. Nidecker	50	50	60 00	40 00			
" J. S. Erb	100	100	100 00	100 00			
" C. J. Hirzel	25	25	25 00	25 00			
" W. H. Myers	30	30	25 00	30 00			
" E. S. Brownmiller	50	30	65 08	25 10			20 00

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$302 31	$50 00	.....	.....	$262 00	.....	$2016 13	$2680 44	$3460 93	$6141 37
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5 00	10 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2055 00	700 00	720 55
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	96 00	.....	.....
55 00	36 00	.....	.....	30 00	.....	1600 00	1785 00	3615 00	6400 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	80 00	908 00	988 00
.....	23 50	.....	.....	23 25	$6 47	31 15	132 29	1800 00	1932 29
.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	112 00	1900 00	2012 00
9 50	35 00	.....	.....	63 00	.....	.....	162 50	980 00	1142 50
.....	5 00	$0 50	.....	20 00	.....	200 92	257 42	454 66	712 08
.....	3 50	.....	.....	36 63	30 00	2414 82	2587 12	1000 00	3989 12
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2206 49	2431 49	1815 17	4246 66
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....
.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	235 00	347 13	1000 00	1347 13
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00	379 00	1200 00	1579 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	157 94	165 64	9076 97	1142 61
.....	.....	.....	.....	11 75	38 00	200 00	259 75	1300 00	1559 75
250 00	50 00	.....	.....	640 00	50 00	1700 00	2820 72	3500 00	6320 72
.....	25 99	.....	.....	29 55	.....	992 00	1197 54	1260 00	2457 54
.....	.....	.....	.....	102 97	.....	651 28	154 25	7295 98	8350 23
.....	.....	.....	.....	13 73	.....	2589 80	2628 63	1508 48	4137 11
10 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00	25 00	2500 00	2690 00	1500 00	4190 00
.....	35 07	.....	.....	.....	.....	341 55	408 40	1244 69	1653 09
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	200 00	211 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	80 00	2100 00	2180 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	105 00	1300 00	1405 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	15 75	.....	42 25	188 50	2950 00	3138 50
.....	100 00	.....	.....	160 00	.....	850 00	2120 00	4296 19	6416 19
.....	150 00	.....	.....	55 00	.....	720 00	1125 00	1710 00	2835 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	38 00	.....	.....	218 68	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	20 50	.....	205 00	311 30	1000 00	1311 30
.....	54 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 32	105 99	1200 00	1305 99
.....	.....	.....	.....	116 00	.....	.....	291 00	2710 00	3000 00
.....	27 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	132 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	230 38	255 38	613 50	868 88
.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	10 00	102 33	162 33	1000 70	1158 03
25 00	.....	.....	.....	72 10	150 00	675 30	972 40	2818 98	4924 13
.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	1620 00	1648 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*14 00	2402 45	2462 45	1400 00	3862 45
.....	10 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	88 52	143 52	903 88	1047 40
10 00	56 00	.....	.....	47 50	.....	200 00	353 50	1100 00	1453 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1000 00	1100 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 23	81 23	872 50	953 73
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	1120 00	1185 10

* $16 contributed in goods.

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NAME OF PASTOR.	Apportioned for the current yr. '83–'84.	Apportioned for last year '82–'83.	Total Amount brought, '82–'83.	General Fund.	SYNODICAL FUNDS OF		
					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun., English.
Rev. A. P. Pflueger	$100	$100	$100 54	$46 00		$10 00	
" W. Wackernagel	30		36 05	24 00			
" W. J. Andres	125	120	120 00	117 00	$25 00	11 00	7 00
" J. L. Becker	125	125	141 00				
" A. E. Erdman	60	60	60 00				
" C. G. Fischer	30	30	35 00		5 00	10 00	
" L. Lindenstruth	50	50	53 00	33 00			
" L. Smith	25	25	37 77		3 00	5 00	8 00
" J. Q. Upp	75	75	66 98	56 98	10 00		
" J. P. German	75	75	75 00	75 00			
" J. W. Mattern[10]	25	25	30 00	28 00		2 00	
" G. P. Mueller	25	25	26 00	2 00	2 00	2 50	
" E. H. Pohle	25	25	25 00	17 50			
" Joseph Rechtsteiner			12 00	12 00			
" Ernest R. Cassaday							
" S. E. Ochsenford	50	50	50 00	50 00			
" A. B. Markley	30	30	35 00	35 00			
" John F. C. Fluck	25	25	25 00	25 00			
" Wm. H. Geiger	50	50	50 00	50 00			
" Israel W. Gauker	30	30	30 00			15 00	
" C. K. Drumheller	75		26 42	26 42			
" Elias H. Gerhart	10	50	22 36				
" G. C. H. Hasskarl	15	15	15 00	15 00			
" Henry E. Semmel	20	20	26 60				
" W. J. Bieber	125	125	150 00	150 00			
" U. P. Heilman	120	100	140 00	140 00			
" D. H. Reiter	80	80	80 00	80 00			
" J. L. Sibole	200	200	125 00	75 00			
" A. W. Walter	20	10	13 00				
" George S. Seaman	75	75	99 96	75 00	16 96	8 00	
" J. H. Kuder	75		68 79	68 79			
" M. L. Zweitzig	15		6 00				
" W. H. Rehrig	20						
Trinity, Montour Co	10	10					
Emanuel's Church, Williamsport	25	25					
Manayunk Charge	50	50					
Salem's, Lebanon	400	400					
Hinkletown Charge, Lancaster Co.	75	75					
Hamburg Charge, Berks Co.	50	50					
Jordan Charge, Lehigh Co.	150						
St. John's Church, Phillipsburg, N.J.	15	15					
Grace Church, Phillipsburg, N. J.	25	25					
Centerville Charge, North'land Co.	125	150	106 19	10 00	34 00	62 19	
Danville Charge, German	25	25		25 00			
Trinity Charge, Catasauqua	25	15	26 00				
St. Peter's, Petersburg	15	15					

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.....	$44 54	.....	.....	$18 00	.....	$15 00	$133 54	$1050 00	$1183 54
$7 55	.....	$4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 05	350 00	386 05
7 00	7 00	.....	.....	14 00	.....	145 00	333 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	44 34	.....	.....	184 34	1050 00	1235 34
.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	320 00	380 00	800 00	1180 00
5 00	15 00	.....	.....	20 00	$10 00	215 94	280 94	639 86	920 80
10 00	10 00	.....	.....	24 50	.....	545 00	622 30	1150 00	1772 50
9 77	10 00	2 00	.....	17 00	.....	120 00	174 77	437 00	611 77
.....	.....	.....	.....	34 20	7 00	570 00	678 93	643 12	1321 30
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	805 00	880 00	900 00	1780 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....
7 00	5 00	2 50	.....	5 00	.....	114 56	138 56	583 63	722 19
7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	124 00	136 00	1450 00	1586 65
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	771 35	771 35
.....	.....	.....	.....	14 11	.....	.....	64 11	640 00	704 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	.....	1525 00	1578 00	750 00	2328 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	.....	561 00	693 00	1212 00	1905 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	14 18	17 00	.....	81 18	500 00	581 18
.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	246 18	276 18	710 50	986 68
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 00	151 42	800 00	951 42
9 36	13 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	223 94	246 30	882 92	1129 22
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....
.....	26 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 60	700 00	726 60
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	170 00	1765 00	1935 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	140 00	975 00	1115 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	140 00	1050 00	1190 00
.....	50 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	626 05	801 05	1982 50	3005 26
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	.....	.....
.....	.....	23 50	.....	38 50	15 00	259 81	436 77	620 00	1056 77
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	460 00	528 79	100 00	1528 79
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	1125 00	1131 00
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TABLE No. 3.

Alphabetical List of Members belonging to this Synod, with their Post-Offices and Congregations.

MINISTERS.	POST-OFFICES.	CONGREGATIONS.
Abele, J. G.	Harrisburg	Zion's.
Amschler, J. G.	Pottsville	Ordained this meeting.
Andres, W. J.	Bath, Northampton County	Moorestown, Little Moore Township, Stone Church, and Snyder's.
Anspach, J. M.	Easton	Christ's.
Apple, B. F.	Bangor, Northampton County	Bangor Mission.
Artman, H. G. B.	Rajahmundry, East India	Telugu Mission.
Bauer, E. A.	Hazleton	Christ's.
Baetes, W. A.	Lancaster, Ohio	
Bayer, J. F.	Mahanoy, Northumberland County	St. Peter's, Himmel's, Emanuel's, St. Paul's, and David's.
Becker, J. L.	Sellersville, Bucks County	St. Michael's, Christ's, and Ridge Valley.
Bender, F. P.	527 E. Cumberland St., Philadelphia.	St. Michael's.
Berg, A.	Leacock, Lancaster County	Zion's, in Mechanicsburg, Lancaster County.
Berkemeyer, F.	Sellersville, Bucks County	Hilltown, Ridge Road, and Bridgetown.
Bernd, F. K.	Lehighton	Ordained this meeting.
Binder, C. K.	Philadelphia	Ordained this meeting.
Bieber, I. W.	Bethlehem	Trinity (Hecktown), and St. John's (Farmersville).
Bieber, Wm. J.	Hellertown	Hellertown, Lower Saucon, Old Williams.
Booher, J. F.	Tennessee	Ordained this meeting. [Vogansville.
Brownmiller, E. S.	Ephrata, Lancaster County	Trinity, Jerusalem, White Oak, Swamp, Schoeneck, Lincoln, and
Bruegel, G. A.	Cherryville, Northampton County	St. Paul's, St. John's, Emanuel's, East Penn, Weatherly, and Little
Bruning, H. H.	White Haven, Luzerne County	St. Paul's. [Gap, temporarily.
Buermeyer, F. F.	New York	English Epiphany Mission.
Cassaday, E. R.	Philadelphia	St. Peter's (Mission), 8th and Reed sts., Philadelphia.
Clymer, H. T.	Quakertown	
Coleman, D. L.	Centre Square, Montgomery County	Centre Square Seminary.
Cooper, C. J.	South Bethlehem	St. Peter's and Trinity (Freemansburg).
Cornman, W. O.	Easton	Supplies Colored Church at Easton. [lersburg.
Cressman, J. J.	Bernville, Berks County	St. John's (Bernville), St. John's (Kutztown), and St. Paul's (Mil-

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Darmstaetter, J. A.	Columbia	St. Paul's (Columbia) and Concordia (Chestnut Hill).
Dietrich, F. S.	Rajahmundry, East India	Telugu Mission.
Dizinger, J. C.	427 Stevens St., Camden, New Jersey.	Trinity.
Drumheller, C. K.	Pillow, Dauphin County	Stone Valley, Georgetown, St. Luke's, and St. John's (Williams Twp.).
Duensing, H. T.	Tamaqua	St. John's.
Early, J. W.	Trevorton	Emanuel's (Trevorton), Lantz's, and Hollowing Run.
Ehinger, F.	Town Line, New York	"Independent."
Emery, W. S.	Erwinna, Bucks County	Christ's (Tinicum). [and Auburn
Erb, I. N. S.	Orwigsburg, Schuylkill County	St. Paul's (Orwigsburg), Zion's, Frieden's, Zion's (Lewistown), Christ's,
Erb, J. S.	Slatington	St. John's, St. James', St. Paul's, and St. Matthew's.
Erdman, A. E.	Nazareth, Northampton County	Plainfield, Bushkill Centre, and Henry's.
Erle, C. L.	Colley, Sullivan County	
Fegley, H. N.	Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County.	St. Mark's and St. John's.
Fegley, H. S.	Lynnville, Lehigh County	Ebenezer, Jacob's, Jerusalem, St. Paul's, and St. Peter's.
Finfrock, A.	Womelsdorf, Berks County	Womelsdorf, Eck, Reed's, Host's, and Blue Mountain.
Fischer, C. G.	52 W. Johnson St., Germantown.	St. Thomas' (Germantown).
Fluck, J. F. C.	504 W. Cumberland St., Philadelphia.	Church of the Advent (Mission), 5th and Cumberland sts., Phila.
Foust, G. D.	North Wales, Montgomery County.	St. Peter's.
Fox, W. B.	Sumneytown, Mongomery County.	St. John's, Sassaman's, Keeler's, and St. Paul's.
Francis, S. A. K.	1231 S. 10th St., Philadelphia	Trinity.
Frederick, G. W.	117 N. Sixth St., Philadelphia.	Proprietor Lutheran Book Store.
Frick, W. K.	2332 Oxford St., Philadelphia.	St. Paul's.
Fritz, J. H.	York	
Fry, C. L.	Lancaster	Assistant to Rev. E. Greenwald, D.D.
Fry, J., D.D.	Reading	Trinity. Treasurer of Synod. [and Birdsboro.
Gabel, Z. H.	Reading	St. James', Robeson, St. John's, Wyomissing, Allegheny, St. Mark's,
Gauker, Israel W.	Palmyra, Lebanon County	Campbellstown, Palmyra, Bindnagel's, and Schell's.
Gardner, G. F.	Allentown	St. Peter's.
Geiger, W. H.	Ringtown, Schuylkill County	St. Paul's, St. Peter's, Emanuel's, and Mount Zion.
Geissinger, D. H.	Easton	St. John's.
Gerhard, W., D.D.	Martinsburg, West Virginia	
Gerhart, E. H.	Phœnixville	St. John's. [and Wapwallopen.
German, Jonas P.	Berwick	St. Peter's, Mount Zion, St. James', Briar Creek, Salem, Mifflinville,
Giesz, H.	Jonestown, Lebanon County	Zoar's, Klop's, Fredericksburg, and Monroe Valley.
Grahn, H.	1069 S. 4th St. Philadelphia	Emanuel's.
Greenwald, E., D.D.	Lancaster	Holy Trinity.

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Groh, L.	Boyertown, Berks County	St. John's and Swamp (New Hanover).
Groff, J. R.	Danville	Trinity. Supplies Trinity, Montour County.
Gruhler, J.	Shenandoah City	St. John's.
Guensch, G. F. W.	Minersville, Schuylkill County	Zion's.
Hantz, J. M.	Uniontown	
Hasskarl, G. C. H.	Frackville, Schuylkill County	Zion's.
Hassler, J. W.	New Holland, Lancaster County	Trinity.
Heilig, Theophilus	Stroudsburg, Monroe County	Zion's and St. Paul's.
Heilman, U. P.	Brumfieldville, Berks County	St. Paul's, Amityville, and Friedensburg.
Henkel, D. M., D.D.	Catawissa	
Hennicke, F. T.	Lock Haven	First German Evangelical Lutheran Church.
Henry, S. S.	Jersey Shore	Zion's, St. James', and Messiah.
Hill, R.	Allentown	St. John's.
Hillpot, J.	Elizabethville, Dauphin County	St. John's, Salem's, Zion's, Gratz's, and St. James'.
Hinter'eitner, G. A.	Pottsville	Trinity.
Hirzel, C. J.	Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia	Christ's.
Horine, M. C.	Reading	St. James'. English Secretary of Synod.
Horne, A. R., D.D.	Allentown	Chestnut Hill, Lehigh County, Doylestown and Dublin, Bucks Co.
Houpt, C. E.	210 E. James St., Lancaster	Grace. [and St. Peter's.
Humbert, D. K.	Bowers, Berks County	DeLong's, Long Swamp, Hill, Huff's, St. Paul's, New Jerusalem,
Hunt, B. H.	Bedford	
Huntzinger, F. K.	Reading	St. Luke's (Reading), Alsace, and St. Peter's.
Iaeger, T. T.	Reading	Bern, Zion's, Oley, Salem, and Ziegel's.
Isenschmid, P., M.D.	Wilmington, Delaware	Zion's. [Systematic Theology in the Seminary at Phila.
Jacobs, H. E., D.D.	Gettysburg	"Franklin" Professor in Pennsylvania College, and Professor-elect of
Jaeger, Joshua	Allentown	Christ's, Frieden's, Jerusalem, St. Peter's, and Lehigh (Macungie).
Joseph, T.	Rajahmundry, East India	Native Telugu Missionary.
Kaehler, F. A.	Germantown	St. Michael's.
Kaehler, F. C. C.	Chicago, Ill.	Wicker Park Mission.
Kepner, D. K.	Pottstown	Emanuel's.
Klingler, J. W.	Reading	Ordained this meeting.

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Koerner, C.	134 Oak St., Chicago	Trinity.
Kohler, J.	Allentown	Principal of Academic Department of Muhlenberg College.
Kramlich, B. E.	Kutztown, Berks County	Trexlertown, Maxatawny, Mertztown, Fleetwood, Rockland, and Lowhill. [Topton.
Kramlich, M. J.	Fogelsville, Lehigh County	
Krotel, G. F., D.D.	49 W. 21st St., New York	Holy Trinity.
Kuder, J. H.	Laury's, Lehigh County	Trinity (Lehighton).
Kuendig, J. J.	Reading	St. John's.
Kuntz, D.	Nazareth, Northampton County	St. John's, Salem, and Arndt's.
Kuntz, W. H.	Schuylkill Haven	Jerusalem, St. Paul's, St. John's, and Zion's.
Kuntz, J. J.	Conyngham, Luzerne County	Christ's, St. John's, Emanuel's, St. Peter's, and Frieden's.
Laird, S.	1314 Spring Garden St., Philadelphia.	St. Mark's.
Laitzle, W. G.	Lebanon	Salem's and St. Paul's (Annville).
Laubenstein, W. H.	Tamaqua	Zion's and Christ's.
Lenker, M. B.	Lykens, Dauphin County	St. John's, Trinity, St. Paul's, and St. Peter's. [burg.
Leopold, O.	Allentown	Jordan, Fogelsville, Ziegel's, Cedarville, Morgenland, and Weissen-
Lindenstruth, L.	Mauch Chunk	St. John's and St. John's (East Mauch Chunk).
Linsz, Aug.	1412 Tioga St., Philadelphia	Trinity, 16th and Tioga sts., Philadelphia.
Long, A. J.	Stouchsburg, Berks County	Stouchsburg, Rehrersburg, Newmanstown, Millbach, and Little Tul-
Mann, W. J., D.D.	228 Franklin St., Philadelphia	Zion's, Professor in Theological Seminary. [pehocken.
Markley, A. B.	Millersville, Lancaster County	St. Paul's, Zion's, and St. Michael's.
Martens, D. M.	Jonestown, Lebanon County	Zion's (Jonestown), Zion's (East Hanover), Salem's, and Sattazahn's.
Martin, A., A.M.	Gettysburg	Professor in Pennsylvania College.
Mattern, J. W.	Stroudsburg	St. John's.
Mayser, F. P.	Lancaster	Zion's.
Miller, G. F.	813 3d St., Camden, New Jersey	New Jersey Mission: Millville and Vineland.
Miller, H. S.	Phœnixville	
Muhlenberg, F. A., D.D.	4307 Walnut St., West Philadelphia	Greek Professor in University of Pennsylvania.
Mueller, Geo. Phil.	Marietta, Lancaster County	Zion's.
Myers, W. H.	Reading	Grace.
Neff, Jacob	Spring City, Chester County	Zion's and Spring City.
Neiman, J. H.	Catawissa	St. John's, St. Paul's, and Emanuel's.
Nidecker, J. E.	Wilkes-Barre	St. Paul's.
Ochsenford, S. E.	Selinsgrove, Snyder County	First Evangelical Lutheran, Selinsgrove, and Zion's, Kratzerville.
Ohl, J. F.	Quakertown, Bucks County	St. John's (Quakertown), Keller's, and Applebachsville.
Paulus, N.	Rajahmundry, East India	Telugu Missionary.
Pfatteicher, Phil.	Easton	Zion's.

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Pflueger, A. P.	Turbotville, Northumberland County.	Zion's and Washingtonville.
Pfuhl, J. G.	Harrisburg	St. Michael's.
Plitt, J. K.	3906 Powelton Ave., West Philada.	St. Stephen's.
Pohle, Ed. H.	Norristown	St. Paul's.
Poulson, I. K.	Samulcotta, East India	Missionary.
Rath, J. B.	Bethlehem	Grace.
Rath, M. O	Allentown	Assistant to his father, Rev. W. Rath.
Rath, W.	Allentown	Salzburg, Zion's, Blue, Jerusalem, and Solomon's.
Rechtsteiner, Joseph	Mahanoy City	Christ's.
Reed, D. E.	Middleburg, Snyder County	Middleburg Mission.
Reed, E. L.	Lancaster,	Christ's (Mission of the Holy Trinity Church).
Rehrig, W. M.	Girardville, Schuylkill County	Zion's.
Reiter, D. H.	Richland Centre, Bucks County	St. John's, Zion's, Leidy's.
Renninger, J. S.	Slatington, Lehigh County	Union, Egypt, Heidelberg, Frieden's, and St. John's.
Richards, M. H., A.M.	Allentown	Professor in Muhlenberg College.
Rieb, W.	140 Court St., Newark, New Jersey	St. John's.
Roeller, I.	Kutztown, Berks County	
Rickert, W. H.	Williamsport	English Evangelical Lutheran.
Rumple, J. W.	Port Chester, New York	Teacher at Military Institute.
Sadtler, B., D.D.	Allentown	President of Muhlenberg College.
Sandt, G. W.	Easton	Ordained at this meeting. [Salem (Donaldson).
Sanner, D.	Tremont, Schuylkill County	St. John's, Frieden's (Hegin's Tp.), Frieden's (Branch Tp.), and
Schaeffer, C. W., D.D.	4784 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia.	Professor in Theological Seminary and pastor emeritus of St.
Schaeffer, W. A.	Wilkes-Barre	St. John's. [Michael's, Germantown.
Schantz, F. J. F.	Myerstown, Lebanon County	Frieden's and St. John's.
Schimpf, Matth.	Frankford, Philadelphia	Immanuel's.
Schindel, J. D.	Allentown	St. Paul's (Catasauqua), St. John's (Coplay), and South Whitehall.
Schmauk, T. E.	Lebanon	Ordained at this meeting.
Schmauk, B. W., A.M.	Lebanon	Salem's, since June 18.
Schmidt, H. C.	Rajahmundry, East India	Missionary.
Schmidt, H. I., D.D.	New York city	Professor emeritus.

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Schmidt, J. C.	Mahanoy, Northumberland County	[St. Paul's (Upper Lehigh).
Schmidt, J. H.	Freeland, Luzerne County	St. John's (Eckley), St. Paul's (Jeddo), St. Luke's (Freeland), and
Schmucker, B. M., D.D.	Pottstown.	Church of the Transfiguration.
Seaman, George S.	Elizabethtown, Lancaster County	Christ.
Seip, Th. L., A.M.	Allentown	Professor in Muhlenberg College.
Seiss, J. A., D.D.	1338 Spring Garden St., Philadelphia.	Church of the Holy Communion (President of Synod).
Semmel, H. E.	Lititz, Lancaster County	Brickerville, White Oak, and Rothsville.
Sibole, E. E.	516 Brown St., Philadelphia	St. John's.
Sibole, J. Luther	1940 N. 8th St., Philadelphia	St. Luke's.
Smith, Enoch	Bethlehem	Salem's.
Smith, L.	Cogan Station, Lycoming County	St. Michael's and Obern.
Smith, O. P.	Trappe, Montgomery County	Augustus, New Jerusalem, and St. Luke's.
Smith, Edgar M.	Philadelphia	
Smoll, B. S.	Klinesville, Berks County	New Bethel, Frieden's, Dunkel's, and Bethel Zion's.
Spangenberg, A. J., Ph.D.	Reading, Hamilton County, Ohio	St. John's.
Spaeth, A., D.D.	1615 Girard Ave., Philadelphia	St. John's, Professor in Theological Seminary.
Spieker, G. F., A.M.	Kutztown, Berks County	Trinity (Kutztown), Zion's (Moselem), and Pricetown.
Steck, T.	Bridgeport, New Jersey	Name of church not given.
Stetler, D. M.	Beavertown, Snyder County	St. John's, St. Matthew's, St. Mark's, Christ, St. James, and St. Paul's.
Strauss, A. M.	Gilbert, Monroe County	Salem, Jerusalem, St. Matthias', St. John's, St. Matthew's and Penn
Strauss, W. H.	Lehighton	Zion's, Bensalem's, St. John's, St. Peter's, and St. Paul's. [Forest.
Strodach, H. B.	Centre Square	St. John's.
Struntz, G. A.	Pittston, Luzerne County	Pittston, Hampton, and Ransom.
Stupp, S. B.	Philadelphia	Ordained at this meeting.
Trexler, D. D.	Bernville, Berks County	Salem, Union, North Heideldelberg, Shartlesville, and Lenhartsville.
Uhler, Jacob P.	St. Peter, Minn.	Professor of Gustavus Adolphus College.
Umbenhen, J. H.	Myerstown	Ordained this meeting.
Upp, J. Q.	South Easton	St. Paul's (S. Easton) and St. John's (Williams Tp.).
Voigt, A. G.	Philadelphia	Ordained this meeting. (Coudersport).
Voss, J. H.	Germania, Potter County	St. Matthew's (Germania), St. Paul's (Blosburg), and St. John's
Wackernagel, W., A.M.	Allentown	Professor in Muhlenberg College, Ger. Sec. of Synod, and pastor of
Wagner, R. S.	Dushore, Sullivan County	Dushore Charge. [St. Thomas', Altona.
Walter, A. W.	Sand Cut, Wayne County	Sandcut and Clifton.
Walz, F.	Sellersville, Bucks County	Old Goschenhoppen, Little Zion's, and Frieden's.
Wampole, J. F.	Freeburg, Snyder County	Freeburg, Row's, Schnee's, Botschaft's, and Erdley's.
Weaver, W.	Phœnixville	

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MINISTERS.	POST-OFFICES.	CONGREGATIONS.
Weddell, A. J.	Norristown	Trinity.
Weicksel, H.	Line Mountain, Northumberland Co.	Zion's, St. John's, Artz's, Klinger's, Salem, St. James', St. John's
Weiskotten, F. W.	2326 Hancock St., Philadelphia	St. James'. (Deep Creek), St. Paul's, and Emanuel's.
Welden, C. F.	913 Holly St., West Philadelphia	St. Peter's.
Wendel, J. H. R.	St. Clair, Schuylkill County	Ordained this meeting.
Wetzler, J. M.	Curtin, Dauphin County	
Wischan, Fr.	726 N. 7th St. Philadelphia	St. Paul's.
Yeisley, A. W.	Stroudsburg	Ordained this meeting.
Yingling, S.	Columbia, Lancaster County	St. John's.
Zentner, Jacob.	Trenton, New Jersey	Trinity.
Ziegenfuss, S. A.	Bath	St. John's (Bath) and St. John's (Howertown).
Zizelmann, Ph. Fr.	Scranton	Zion's and St. Peter's (Petersburg), temporarily.
Zweizig, B. D.	Reading	St. John's, Epler's, Schwartzwald, Trinity, St. Michael's, Bellman's,
Zweizig, Martin Luther.	Scranton	Trinity (Mission). [and Maiden Creek.

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EXPLANATIONS OF TABLES.

No. 1.

(*) Without charge.
(†) Professor.
(‡) President of Muhlenberg College.
(1) Supplement to report with the name of his assistant, Rev. Charles L. Fry.
(2) Pastor *pro tempore* of Salem's congregation, in Lebanon, reports his own and Rev. Trabert's ministerial acts.
(3) Report did not come in time.
(4) Holds Kinderlehre.
(5) Has lately taken charge.
(6) For only part of the year. The first row of figures is for Bangor, of which he has lately taken charge.
(7) St. Peter's congregation not included in this report.
(8) Baptized 57 while pastor at Hamburg.
(9) Supplement to Dr. E. Greenwald's report.
(10) Report for 10 months.

No. 2.

(1) Paid $500 to Grace Mission in Lancaster not included in this report.
(2) Contribution to H. M. G. C. Ger. by children of parochial school.
(3) Of this amount $14.50 were contributed by the Sunday-school at Myerstown.
(4) This amount was contributed as follows: Womelsdorf, $40.66; Good Samaritan Sunday-school, $8.14; Reed's Church, $13.98; the Eck Church, $18.67; the Blue Mountain Church, $16.06; and the Host Church, $43.08.
(5) For 5 months.
(6) The $1500 for special objects, given here, were realized from a combined excursion of the charges of Revs. Smoll, Fegley, Erb, Bruegel, Strauss, and Renninger.
(7) Supplies St. Paul's, which contributed $25. St. John's Sunday-school, at Kutztown, contributed $8.20 to F. M.
(8) $3.40 contributed for F. M. by Sunday-school at Pricetown.
(9) $27 paid directly to Rev. F. S. Dietrich, who went from his charge as missionary to India.
(10) Of this amount $5 were contributed by St. John's Sunday-school.

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SUMMARY.*

MINISTERS:		
Pastors of congregations		169
Foreign missionaries		6
Professors		14
Aged, disabled, and without charge		25
Total		214
Congregations		398
Confirmed members		80,368
Communed (1882–1883)		55,329
Infant Baptisms (1882–1883)		7063
ADDITIONS:		
Adult Baptisms	221	
Confirmations	4804	
From Lutheran churches	1173	
From other denominations	184	
Total		6382
LOSSES:		
By death		1512
By removals and withdrawals		698
By exclusion		62
SUNDAY-SCHOOLS:		
Lutheran	170	
Teachers	3,021	
Scholars	32,297	
		35,488
Other	259	
Teachers	2,363	
Scholars	18,990	
		21,612
Parochial Schools		13
Teachers		24
Scholars		1046
CONTRIBUTIONS (1882–1883):		
Current expenses	$211,633 21	
Various beneficent objects	99,188 54	
Total		$310,821 75

*As many of the pastors did not report at all, and some gave only partial reports, the above summary is not an exact count of the tables, but only an approximate estimate.

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Rev. J. FRY, D.D.....Washington Street, Reading.

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1st District, Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D.....49 West 21st Street, New York.
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3d " Rev. L. Groh.....Boyertown.
4th " Rev. F. P. Mayser.....Lancaster.
5th " Rev. J. R. Groff.....Danville.

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Rev. J. J. Kuendig,	Mr. A. W. Potteiger,
" F. J. F. Schantz,	" A. Bendel,
" B. Sadtler, D.D.,	" T. H. Diehl,
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.,	" L. H. Siess,
" T. T. Iaeger.	" W. A. Henry.

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Clerical.

	Term Expires.
Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D.	1884
" J. Kohler	1884
" P. Pfatteicher	1884
" H. Grahn	1884
" D. H. Geissinger	1884
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	1885
" J. Fry, D.D.	1885
" Fr. Wischan	1885
" J. B. Rath	1885
" F. W. Weiskotten	1885
" W. A. Schaeffer	1885
" J. A. Seiss, D.D.	1886
" J. K. Plitt	1886
" J. F. Wampole	1886
" E. L. Reed	1886
" S. Laird	1886

Lay.

	Term Expires.
Mr. Chas. Norton	1884
" R. B. Miller	1884
" J. C. File	1884
H. M. Muhlenberg, Esq.	1884
Mr. Chas. Hahn	1884
J. Rommel, M.D.	1885
Mr. H. Baetes	1885
" J. Zaun	1885
Wm. H. Staake, Esq.	1885
Jacob Geissenhainer, Esq.	1885
Mr. T. H. Diehl	1885
" H. Lehman	1886
" A. Stanley Ulrich	1886
" Charles Colladay	1886
" L. L. Houpt	1886
" F. R. Schmidt	1886

Delegates to the General Council.

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Board of Trustees of Muhlenberg College.

Clergymen.

	Term Expires.
Rev. W. Rath	1884
" J. A. Seiss, D.D.	1884
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	1884
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" S. Laird	1884
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After Confession and Absolution, in the basement of the church, the members present proceeded in a body to the main audience room, where the services were held according to the full Morning Service of the "Kirchenbuch," including the Communion Service. Rev. J. J. Kuendig and Prof. W. Wackernagel, D.D., officiated at the altar, and Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., by appointment of the President, preached the synodical sermon from Isa. 53: 3.

I. SYNODICAL BUSINESS.

FIRST SESSION.

Thursday, June 5th, 2 P.M.

The President, Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., opened the Convention of the Synod according to the form prescribed in the Liturgy.

The roll of ministers was called and the lay delegates presented their credentials.

The following ministers and lay delegates were present at this meeting of the Ministerium:

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Ministers.	Residence.	Delegates.
Rev. C. K. Binder	Camden, N. J	George Shimer.
" G. W. Sandt	Catasauqua	W. H. Gilbert.
" J. H. Umbenhen	Reamstown	J. R. Reddig.
" J. W. Klingler	Stone Church	
" T. E. Schmauk	Lebanon	
" C. Horak	Freeland	

Mr. Edwin Osenbach was present as delegate from the church of Rev. J. Iaeger.

The following delegates were present from vacant congregations:

St. John's	Wilkes-Barre	Martin Frey.
Chester Mission		Adam Ebeling.
Pikeland Mission		Peter Deery.
St. Paul's	Norristown	Herman Michael.
Trinity	Kutztown	Walter B. Bieber.
Frackville charge		A. L. Seaman.

The following members were received during this meeting:

Rev. W. A. C. Mueller, from the Pittsburg Synod.
" C. Kuehn, from the New York Ministerium.
" G. D. Bernheim, D. D., from the North Carolina Synod.
" J. P. Deck, from the Holston Synod.
" F. R. Gerlach, from Prussia, Germany.
" B. Pick, Ph.D., from the Presbyterian Church.
" S. G. Finckel, from the Maryland Synod.
" R. M. Zimmerman, from the Pittsburg Synod.

The following were ordained:

G. C. Gardner, T. M. Angstadt, J. F. Baetes, A. J. D. Houpt, C. L. Holloway, J. W. Mayne, O. D. Miller, F. H. Uhrich, S. Wenrich, A. F. Schaeffer, P. P. Wisser, E. Hartman, F. J. C. MacCready, T. N. Ander.

Rev. J. H. Baden, delegate of the New York Ministerium, presented his credentials and was admitted to a seat in the Synod.

The following visitors, in doctrinal sympathy with Synod, were present:

Rev. W. A. Passavant, D.D., of the Pittsburg Synod.
" C. L. Keedy, of the Maryland Synod.
" J. G. Morris, D.D., LL.D., of the Maryland Synod.
" J. H. Turner, of Lutherville, Md.

The following members were absent and excused:

Revs. H. S. Miller, H. J. Schmidt, D.D., F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D., W. L. Rieb, C. L. Erle, G. A. Struntz, W. H. Rickert, J. J. Hilpot, B. H. Hunt, W. Gerhard, D.D., J. H. Hantz, C. Koerner, D. E. Reed, J. Jaeger, F. A. C. Kaehler, and the following Missionaries in India: I. K. Paulsen, T. Joseph, N. Paulus, H. G. B. Artman, F. S. Dietrich.

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The Ministerium lost during the year, by death, five members; by honorable dismission, four; by withdrawal, one; by being stricken from the roll, one; total losses, 11. The accessions from other bodies were eight; by ordination, fifteen; total accessions, 23. The roll of the Ministerium at this meeting numbered 223 members, 196 of whom were present. There were present, also, 111 lay delegates.

Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., then presented his annual report, as follows:

Report of the President.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—I now present to you my Third Annual Report as your presiding officer.

THE LUTHER JUBILEE.

The year just closed has been one of marked character for our church, for the cause of the Great Reformation, and for the fame of that eminent servant of God whose name is linked with the heart of Evangelical Christianity, religious Freedom, and civil Liberty in these last centuries. From the centre of Germany to the utmost extremities of the earth, in all civilized lands, the soul of humanity has thrilled with the story of "the solitary monk", who, with the simple power of the Word, and the heroism which comes from an implicit faith in it,

> "He saved the world from superstition's grave,
> And bade it look upon the Cross of Christ, and live."

Such a stir over the birth of a mere man nearly three and a half centuries after his death,—a man serving only as a herald and defender of the Gospel,—has never been upon earth over any one man who has lived since the Apostolic age.

That name, affixed as a stigma upon our fathers in the early part of the 16th Century, in this latter part of the 19th, has come forward in the thoughts, convictions and admiring eulogies of the best and noblest populations of the earth, and been made to stand out, as the worthiest and most illustrious in human annals next after the name of those Evangelic Princes who spoke and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

The result has been, a wonderful lifting up of our beloved Church in the contemplations of men—a bringing out of its clear and matchless testimony—a centering of attention and interest upon its great history—a confirmation of our people in the pre-eminent merit of our cause—a turning back of the popular mind from pretentious modern isms to the faith once delivered to the saints—a brushing away of the cobwebs of prejudice and misrepresentation by which many were misled—a tracing up of the foundations of the Ninety-five Theses, the Protest of Spires, the Confession of Augsburg, and the most cherished principles and elements of modern freedom, in the everlasting Rock,—and hence a general strengthening of Evangelical faith, already seen in part in the increased accessions to our Churches and the augmented numbers of communicants at our altars.

In some material respects, the fruits of the great occasion among ourselves may not have been what was fore-calculated a year ago. But it is not therefore to be concluded that the effect is less deep and powerful than we expected, or than will yet produce all that was contemplated and a hundredfold more. David could not know the strength of Israel by numbering his men; neither

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can we know the value and effect of our Jubilee by counting the dollars which its celebration has placed in our Treasuries. The worth of mountains is not to be measured by the volume of their wild torrents, but rather by the purification they invisibly give to the atmosphere, the unnumbered, steady, limpid and life-giving springs they feed, the interest and dignity with which they invest a continent, and the lofty exaltation they impart to our contemplations. And if, in some directions, our expectations have not been fully realized from the recent Festival, we are still by so much richer and stronger, as it has been pervading and unexampled, and has served to set men searching for "the old paths" wherein is "the good way." Instead of finding fault and seeking to locate blame, we have reason to lay our hands on our hearts in wonder at what God has wrought, and to lift up our souls in devoutest thankfulness for the mercy and grace wherewith He hath remembered us.

Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott,
Ein' gute Wehr und Waffen;
Er hilft uns frei aus aller Noth,
Die uns jetzt hat betroffen!

DEATHS.

Death, of course, has been claiming its usual number of victims from among our ranks. Five of our ministerial brethren have fallen since we last met.

1. Rev. William H. Laubenstein, Pastor of Zion's Church, Tamaqua, Sept. 11, at Minersville, in the 34th year of his age.

2. Rev .A. J. Spangenberg, Ph.D., July 28, at Reading, Ohio, in his 76th year.

3. Rev. George F. Miller, Jan. 9, in Camden, New Jersey, in the 60th year of his age.

4. Rev. A. Berg, Pastor of Zion's Church, Mechanicsburg, Lancaster County, Feb. 7, in the 74th year of his age.

5. Rev. Reuben S. Wagner, Pastor of Dushone charge, Sullivan County, May 19, in the 68th year of his age.

DISMISSIONS.

1. July 26, Rev. Wilson Yeisley, to the Pittsburg Synod.
2. Aug. 29, Rev. C. G. Fischer, to New York Ministerium.
3. Sept. 10, Rev. W. K. Frick, to Swedish Augustana Synod.
4. Sept. 21, Rev. A. W. Walter, to Swedish Augustana Synod.
5. Jan. 18, Rev. G. C. H. Hasskarl, by a certificate of clerical standing as he wished to withdraw to be connected with another body.
6. April 15, Rev. J. P. Uhler, to Swedish Augustana Synod.
7. May 5, Rev. J. C. Schmidt, gave notice that, being without a charge, and engaged in other pursuits for the support of himself and family, he desired to be no longer considered a member of this Ministerium. His letter is submitted with this Report.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D.D., from the Synod of N. C.
Rev. J. P. Deck, from the Holston Synod.
Rev. Samuel G. Finckel, from the Maryland Synod.
Rev. Dr. B. Pick, from the Presbyterian Church.
Rev. Rudolf Gerlach, from Germany.
Rev. Wm. A. C. Müller, from the Pittsburg Synod.
Rev. C. Kuehn, from New York Ministerium.

Fifteen students, mostly from the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, have likewise made application for Ordination.

All these applications have been referred to the Examining Committee.

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PASTORAL CHANGES.

Immediately after the last meeting of the Ministerium, Rev. B. W. Schmauk, having resigned St. Michael's Church in Allentown, with his son, Rev. T. E. Schmauk, entered upon the joint pastorate of Salem's Church, Lebanon.

About the same time, Rev. John P. Deck, from the Holston Synod took pastoral charge of St. Peter's, in Upper Pikeland.

June 10, Rev. Clarence K. Binder was installed as pastor of the Epiphany Mission in Camden, N. J.

June 19, Rev. H. B. Strodach resigned St. John's, at Centre Square, to accept charge of St. Paul's, Brooklyn, N. Y.

About the same time, Rev. J. H. Umbenhen was installed pastor of the Hinkletown charge in Lancaster County.

June 20, Rev. E. Niedecker resigned the German Congregation at Wilkes-Barre, and accepted a call to Zion's Church, Philadelphia. Installed, May 25.

About the same time, Rev. J. H. R. Wendel took charge of St. Peter's, at St. Clair, Schuylkill County, but subsequently resigned, and Feb. 3, was installed pastor of St. Thomas' Church, Germantown, in place of Rev. C. G. Fischer, resigned.

June 24, Rev. G. W. Sandt was installed pastor of Trinity Church, Catasauqua, and St. John's, at Coplay.

June 30, the Secretary of St. Paul's, Wilkes-Barre, gave notice that said congregation had elected as its pastor, Rev. C. Kuehn, of Albany, N. Y., in place of Rev. Niedecker. resigned.

In July, Rev. G. F. Spieker resigned his charge at Kutztown, and accepted a call to St. Michael's, Allentown, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. B. W. Schmauk. He was installed Oct. 7.

July 18, Rev. Lewis Smith resigned at Cogan Station, and has since accepted a call to Zion's Church, Weatherly, Carbon County.

July 29, Rev. S. B. Stupp was installed pastor of St. John's, Phillipsburg, N. J.

Sept. 6, Rev. W. K. Frick gave notice that he had resigned St. Paul's (English) in Philadelphia, to accept place in Gustavus Adolphus College, at St. Peter's, Minn.

Sept. 17, Rev. A. Voigt informed me that he had accepted a call to take charge of the Mission Congregations at Hainsport and Riverside, New Jersey. He was installed Oct. 14.

About the same date, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D.D., was installed pastor of Grace Church, Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

Sept. 24, John W. Klingler informed me that he had accepted a call to the Centreville Charge, Northampton County. He was installed Dec. 2.

Sept. 27, Rev. H. T. Clymer informed me that he had accepted a call to Sand Cut, Wayne County, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. A. W. Walter.

Oct. 29, Rev. W. S. Emery informed me that by reason of enfeebled health, he had resigned the Tinicum Church, Bucks County.

Nov. 15, Rev. C. F. Welden, having reached the fiftieth year of his ministry, gave notice that he had resigned the charge of St. Peter's Church in West Philadelphia.

Jan. 2, Rev. D. E. Reed informed me that he had resigned the charge of the Missions in Snyder Co., and had accepted a call to St. Michael's, Cogan Station.

Jan. 7, Rev. G. C. H. Hasskarl informed me that he had resigned his charge at Frackville, Schuylkill County.

Jan. 11, Rev. Wm. A. Schaeffer informed me that he had resigned St. John's Church at Wilkes-Barre, and had entered upon duty as pastor of St. Stephen's Church, West Philadelphia. Installed May 25.

Jan. 23, Rev. E. H. Pohle informed me that he had resigned St. Paul's German Church at Norristown, to become pastor of St. Peter's West Philadelphia, rendered vacant by the resignation of Rev. Welden. He was installed Feb. 10.

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Dec. 7, Rev. S. G. Finckel, of the Synod of Maryland, informed me that he had received and accepted a call to become the pastor of St. John's Church, Wilkes-Barre, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. W. A. Schaeffer.

During the same month, Rev. J. W. Mattern was installed pastor of St. John's Church, Stroudsburg.

Feb. 5, Rev. C. K. Drumheller informed me that he had resigned at Pillow, and accepted a call to Zion's (English) Church at Tamaqua, made vacant by the death of Rev. Laubenstein.

Same date, Rev. Levin Coleman informed me that he had accepted a call to become pastor of St. John's, Centre Square, rendered vacant by the resignation of Rev. Strodach.

Feb. 6, Rev. J. Rechtsteiner informed me that he had accepted a call to Locust Valley, rendered vacant by the resignation of Rev. Wendel.

April 15, the Secretary of St. Paul's, Norristown, informed me that Rev. Rudolph Gerlach, late of Germany, had been elected pastor in place of Rev. Pohle, resigned.

Rev. F. K. Berndt has received and accepted a call from the Jordan Congregation in South Whitehall, Lehigh County.

St. Paul's English Mission Church in Philadelphia, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. Frick, has called the Rev. R. M. Zimmerman, of the Pittsburg Synod. He has accepted the call

Rev. J. Kohler, has received and accepted a call from Zion's Church, Mechanicsburg, Lancaster County, made vacant by the death of Rev. A. Berg.

Rev. W. H. Geiger has resigned his charge at Ringtown, and has accepted a call to Pillow, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. Drumheller.

The Kutztown charge, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. Spieker, has called Rev. Wm. A. C. Müller, of the Pittsburg Synod, who has accepted the call.

VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

IN THE FIRST CONFERENCE.

1 . Tinicum, Bucks County, resigned by Rev. Emery.

2. Doylestown. Both these points are being supplied by Rev. A. R. Horne, D. D.

3. New Germany, Vineland and Millville, rendered vacant by the death of Rev. G. F. Miller.

4. St. Paul's, Chester. A Committee of the Conference has the charge of supplies for the two parishes last named.

IN THE SECOND CONFERENCE.

None are reported.

IN THE THIRD CONFERENCE.

1. St. Clair and Middleport, rendered vacant by the resignation of Rev. Wendel. Supplied by the pastors of Pottsville and Frackville.

2. Frackville, lately resigned by Rev. Hasskarl. Arrangements for a regular pastor are being made.

3. Hamburg, vacant for a year, has made arrangements to secure a pastor.

IN THE FOURTH CONFERENCE.

Mt. Joy, Lancaster County, is still vacant, but with prospect now of being soon provided with a regular pastor.

IN THE FIFTH CONFERENCE.

1. Mission in Snyder County, by resignation of Rev. D. E. Reed.

2. St. Johns, &c., Danville.

3. Dushore, &c., Sullivan County, by the death of Rev. R. S. Wagner.

4. Germania, &c., Tioga and Potter Counties, by the retirement of Rev. J. H. Voss.

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NEW CONGREGATIONS.

1. The First Conference, at its September Meeting, received Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Lansdale.
2. The Second Conference has received St. John's Congregation, Emaus, Lehigh County, Rev. Wm. Rath, pastor.
3. The same Conference has received St. John's Congregation, Pen Argyl, Northampton County, Rev. A. E. Erdman, pastor.

CHANGES IN PARISHES.

1. The First Conference has constituted Hainsport and Riverside, N. J., one pastoral charge, Rev. Voigt, pastor.
2. The same has united New Germany, Vineland and Milville, N, J., into one pastorate. Vacant at present.

LAYING OF CORNER-STONES FOR NEW CHURCHES.

1. Sept. 1, Union Church, Northumberland County, Rev. Weicksel, pastor.
2. Sept. 13, St. Paul's, South Easton, Rev. J. Q. Upp, pastor.
3. Sept. 27, Christ Church, Penn Forest, Carbon County, Rev. Strauss, pastor.
4. June 17, St. James', Fifth Conference, Rev. German, pastor.
5. Aug. 5, St. Paul's, (Union) " " " "
6. " 19, St.John's " " " " " .

CONSECRATION OF NEW CHURCHES.

1. July 10, Zion's Church, Weatherly, Rev. L. Smith, pastor.
2. Dec. 2, St John's, Slatington, Rev. J. S. Erb, pastor.
3. Nov. 25, St. Matthew's, North Weisport. Rev. J. S. Erb, pastor.
4. Oct. 14, St. James', Rev. German, pastor.
5. Dec. 2, St. John's, " " "
6. " 23, St. Paul's, " " "

IMPROVEMENTS AND REOPENINGS OF CHURCHES.

1. Nov. 1, St. Peter's, West Penn, Schuylkill County, Rev. W. H. Strauss, pastor. Second Conference.
2. July —, Zion's Church at Marietta, Lancaster County, Rev. G. P. Müller, pastor. Fourth Conference.
3. Jan. 12, St. John's Church, Mt. Etna, Berks County, Rev. F. J. F. Schantz, pastor. Fourth Conference.
4. Aug. 19, Trinity Church, Oak Grove, Rev. J. R. Groff, pastor. Fifth Conference.

I am uncertain whether all the facts concerning corner-stone layings and consecrations and reopenings of Churches are all given, as some of the Conferences have imperfectly reported, and the direct reports to me have been few.

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS.

According to instructions given at the last meeting of the Ministerium, the President and English Secretary executed and delivered to the widow of the late Dr. C. P. Krauth, an obligation of this body to pay her annually during her natural lifetime the sum of five hundred dollars, as per agreement and resolutions found on page 49 of the English Minutes.

It having become necessary for the securement of certain funds of the Seminary to sell and convey some real estate, Nos. 3210 and 3208 Market street, West Philadelphia, the same being recommended and approved by the Finance Committee, the officers of the Ministerium did sell said property in April last for the sum of $8,950, and executed and delivered a deed for the same to the purchaser. Having acted in this matter under the spirit of the resolution passed one year ago, found on page 48 of English Minutes, the officers request that their action in the case be approved and confirmed.

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Of the Theological Seminary, the College, the Orphanages, the doings of the Executive Committee, I need not speak especially or in detail, as separate reports will be given concerning them.

The same may be said of other matters referred to the Officers a year ago, of the Funds and Finances, of our Synodical Missions, and of the students now being aided by the Ministerium in their preparation for the ministry.

At the last meeting of this body, in view of very special circumstances, the application of Mr. C. Horak was referred to the Second Conference to be examined and ordained in case he should be found worthy. The President of said Conference reports that, at the October Meeting, Mr. Horak was examined, and ordained to labor among the Bohemians in Luzerne County.

Three years ago, on my coming into this office of President, there was placed in my hands by my predecessor, as belonging to the funds in the hands of the President, an individual promissory note, which was subsequently paid off, with the exception of $400, the interest on which had been regularly paid to the President up to July 1882, since which time no interest on this balance has been paid to me. Having called the attention of the signer of the Note to the fact, I received answer Sept 7th, 1883, stating that the interest had been paid, and would continue to be paid when due, but not to me, as the amount of the balance of the Note constitutes a sum placed in the hands of Rev. C. W. Schaeffer, D.D., as Trustee, "for the benefit of theological students," and that he purposed to retain this personal trusteeship in his own hands. Such being the fact in the case, it would be well for the Ministerium to pass a resolution authorizing the return of the Note to Dr. Schaeffer. I submit his letter on the subject.

In the case of Rev. F. Ehinger, I have had no information from the Conference. Nothing more definite concerning him having been laid before me than was before the Ministerium at its last meeting, the indefiniteness of the presentations, of the resolution passed, and of the provisions of the Constitution in the premises, left me in so much doubt and uncertainty, that no action was taken by me in the matter.

In August last, Mr. Charles E. Sandt, of Allentown, formerly a student in the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, but compelled on account of ill health to demit his studies for a considerable time, requested my permission to continue his studies under the supervision of Rev. Dr. B. Sadtler, as he was not in a situation to allow of his return to the Seminary. Having had a letter from Dr. Sadtler on the subject, and fourteen of the clerical members of the Ministerium living in and around Allentown having united in the request for this permission, the same was granted. The documents in the case are submitted with this report.

THE GENERAL HOME MISSION WORK.

As the entire home Mission Work outside of the limits of this Ministerium has now been referred to the German and English Home Mission Committees of the General Council, and as these Committees have no resources beyond what they receive in the way of donations from individuals, Congregations and Sunday Schools, I submit whether it would not be well for the Ministerium to make special request to all our Congregations to take up at least one collection each year for the Home Mission cause as represented by the Committees of the General Council, and also to make request of all our Sunday Schools to set apart certain times when the contributions shall be for this cause, or to make some annual appropriation for its benefit. The need is very great and pressing, in both the German and English work, and it pertains to the people and Churches belonging to this Ministerium to furnish a large share of the means necessary to carry it on in a way commensurate with its importance. Even small sums furnished regularly from all our Congregations would greatly augment the revenues for the establishment of Churches where none now exist, and

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where the materials for them are plentiful and calling loudly for the Word and Sacraments as dispensed by our Church. The changes in arrangements with reference to the general Home Mission work require that emphasis should be laid upon the matter, that all departments of our Church-life may be adjusted to some settled methods of regular supply of the means needed. Very gratifying results have already been realized by these new arrangements, and it only remains that they be properly understood, and that all parts of the Church are brought into living connection with the work to strengthen it by thirty, fifty, or a hundred fold. It was the Home Mission spirit that gave us our Church-being in this land; and it is pre-eminently our duty to be diligent and faithful in nurturing, deepening and perpetuating it, and in imbuing our people and children with it For, "if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." 1 Tim. 5: 8.

THE REVISED CONSTITUTION.

As the Committee appointed to "revise the Constitution of the Ministerium and the Conferences," and to consider certain changes proposed, has performed its work, and has thoroughly digested and put in printed form all the provisions which in its least knowledge and judgment are deemed necessary and desirable in the present condition of affairs, I also suggest the importance of a prompt taking up of that subject at the earliest possible stage of your proceedings, that the whole may be disposed of at the present meeting. So many things hang in doubt, and need immediate settlement, and the new features proposed necessarily so pervade the working out of the several parts, that the entire document should be at once considered, and the mind of the Synod concerning it determined. Should this be impracticable, the next best thing would be its provisional adoption for trial, should the main features of it at all commend themselves to the majority of the Ministerium. The protracted discussion of details, and the distribution of the work of adoption through a series of years without putting its provisions in force, will necessarily augment the present unsatisfactoriness, increase confusion, largely defeat the object for which the revision was ordered, and defer too long what should by no means be deferred. The Committee has labored upon it with such conscientious fidelity, devoted so much time and care to the thorough adjustment of everything pertaining to the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Order, and is so harmonious in its recommendations, that it is hardly possible for the Ministerium to run any serious risks by its provisional adoption as a whole, leaving the question of amendments open to be determined as practical use may suggest or require.

LARGE PASTORATES.

Nor can I conclude this Report without directing your earnest attention to another matter, much discussed in private, often referred to in the publications of the Church, and urgently demanding some remedy. I refer to the abnormal and disabling size of some of our pastoral charges, many of them embracing some of the richest and most prosperous rural districts of the state.

The Gospel contemplates, and the Constitution of our Ministerium provides, that "A pastor should have charge of only one Congregation," and that where this is impossible, "he should endeavor to so reduce the size of his charge that divine services may be held in each Congregation on each Lord's Day." Manifestly, too little attention has been paid to this subject.

In the last published records of the Ministerium, 19 pastors report each *three* Congregations; 13 report each *four* Congregations; 13 report each *five* Congregations; 8 report each *six* Congregations; 4 report each *seven* Congregations; and 1 reports *nine* Congregations. We thus have officially reported 259 out of 398 Congregations, served by 58 Pastors,—an average of nearly 4½ Congregations to each Pastor. Leaving out of the count those who have charge of but three Congregations each, we still have 202 Congregations,—well on towards

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two-thirds of our whole number,—served by 39 Pastors,—less than one-fourth of our entire number of actual Pastors in the Ministerium.

Such figures tell their own story. Where one man has to do all the pastoral service for from 4 to 9 Congregations, even if he be quite free from the cares of farming or other business, it is simply impossible that the people should be instructed and trained in Christian belief, life, intelligence and benificence, as required by Christ, and demanded by the wants of their own souls. In most of the Churches in these extended parishes, public service cannot occur more than once or twice a month, and some of the congregations do not see or hear their Pastors ten times in an entire year. And yet, on this their Christianity must live, if it lives at all from what our Church furnishes them; and on this scanty fare their children are to grow up in the knowledge of Christ and Salvation! What becomes of these people during the other 30 or 40 Sundays of the 52? What can the successive great themes of the Church Year be to them? How can they come into living sympathy with the life and activities of the Church at large? To what extent can the young be duly catechised, or our undertakings for the general welfare of the Church be made to enlist the interest or command the generous liberality that pertains to earnest and rightly instructed Christians? I cast no reflections upon our self-denying, earnest and hard-working rural Pastors. Many of them are deserving of all praise. They do the best they can as things are. But, with the very best they can do, each having half a dozen or more Congregations on his hands, in the nature of things, the souls of the people are not half fed, and many of them live and die without adequate knowledge of the truth to save them, and are lost through our pretence of serving them with the means of grace. If our adorable Lord were to appear to give His judgment respecting this state of things, as he gave it upon the Churches at Ephesus, Smyrna, and other places in Asia Minor, under what just rebukes would our Ministerium stand before Him? What answer to Him could we make? Nay, what answer will we give when we come to appear before His solemn judgment seat?

Certainly some adequate remedy can be found for so ailing a condition. If the evil cannot be removed at once, something surely is practicable for its more rapid abatement. If the people, who have been bred up for generations to such ill feeding and imperfect care, do not move for a better supply of their spiritual needs and those of their children, imperative necessity is upon us to exert ourselves to teach them their error, and to bring them to deeper accord with the spirit and demands of Christianity. We grumble and complain that sectarists and robbers creep in and steal away our sheep, and that there is such a constant straying off to other pastures; but what are we, their proper shepherds, doing meanwhile to keep our flocks rightly watched and folded, and to give them sufficient pasturage for their souls to live on? This is the great practical point, to which, it seems to me, we are bound before God to give more serious and honest attention than we have been giving. Hence I speak of it here, and present my solemn appeal for more faithful effort to bring about a cure of what is our greatest shame.

CONCLUSION.

With these presentations, then, Fathers and Brethren, I now return to you the trust which, for three successive years, you have committed to me. I thank you for your confidence, I thank you for your forbearance with my weakness in trying to fill the position I am now about to vacate. The evenness, order and general good feeling, which, by your favor, and the blessing of our Heavenly Father, have characterized these years, I contemplate with devout gratitude. And, thanking God with you all for the progress and improvement steadily going on in our venerable Ministerium, I close by invoking upon you, and upon your deliberations, the gracious influences of the Holy Ghost, sent to guide into all truth, the cheering presence of Him who has covenanted to be with his ser-

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vants alway even unto the end of the world, and the abundant mercy of Him who was, and is, and is to come.

JOS. A. SEISS.

After the President had read his report he announced that the election of officers of Synod was in order, and appointed the following as tellers:

REV. H. E. JACOBS, D. D.
" J. R. GROFF.
MR. A. REINOEHL.

After the tellers had withdrawn to count the ballots, Rev. J. Fry, D. D., Treasurer of Synod read his report as follows:

Treasurer's Report.

J. FRY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE MINISTERIUM OF PENN'A.

For the Synodical Year ending June 5, 1884.

I.—GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.	DR.	DISBURSEMENTS.	CR.
Contributions from Congs.....	$11,685 52	Muhlenberg College.....	$ 1,000 00
G. W. Frederick, premium on English Catechisms.....	46 34	Interest on Seminary loan.....	1,283 70
Brobst, Diehl & Co., premium on German Catechisms.....	25 00	Transferred to Education.....	3,102 72
Balance from last year.....	1,965 92	" Home Mission	3,402 43
		" Gen'l Council Missions.....	1,650 00
		Printing Minutes.....	553 18
		Removal & Storage of Krauth Library.....	310 05
		Insurance on same.....	130 00
		Treasurer's Salary.....	400 00
		Expenses of Officers of Synod	88 66
		" of Archivarius.....	100 00
		" of Rev. F. J. F. Schantz.....	53 95
		Printing Reports.....	23 03
		Sexton at Norristown.....	10 00
		Balance in Treasury.....	1,565 06
	$13,672 78		$13,672 78

II.—EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Direct Contributions.....	$ 953 62	Paid Seminary Students.....	$2,200 00
From General Fund.....	3,102 72	Paid College Students.....	2,512 50
Interest on Bremer Fund.....	25 00		
President's Legacies, per Dr. Seiss.....	153 91		
Dr. C. W. Schaeffer, Jungkurth Interest.....	24 00		
Aid returned:			
Geo. C. Gardner.....	180 00		
Geo. M. Scheidy.....	73 25		
Rev. E. F. Lott.....	100 00		
Rev. F. S. Dietrich.....	100 00		
	$4,712 50		$4,712 50

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III.—HOME MISSIONS.

Direct Contributions	$1,382 08	Synodical Missions	$2,456 67
From General Fund	3,402 43	Phila. City Missions	2,482 84
Interest	155 00		
	$4,939 51		$4,939 51

IV.—GENERAL COUNCIL MISSIONS.

Cont's for English Missions	$ 360 21	Paid English Committee	$1,360 21
" German Missions	1,147 64	" German Committee	1,797 64
From General Fund	1,650 00		
	$3,157 85		$3,157 85

V.—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Contributions from Congregations and Schools	$2,327 65	Paid Treas. Gen'l Council	$2,405 15
Wernle Legacy Interest	47 50		
Deininger Legacy Interest	30 00		
	$2,405 15		$2,405 15

VI.—PASTOR'S WIDOWS AND ORPHANS FUND.

Contributions	$ 73 73	Paid to Widows	$800 00
Loan to St. Thomas Cong., Germantown, paid off	500 00	Balance in Treasury	459 97
Interest on same	40 00		
Balance from last year	646 24		
	$1,259 97		$1,259 97

VII.—ENGLISH CHURCH BOOK ACCOUNT.

Prem's. from Sherman & Co.	$466 00	Paid Treas. Gen'l Council	$300 00
Balance from last year	388 50	" Dr. Schmucker, exp	52 00
		Printing	17 12
		Balance in Treasury	485 38
	$854 50		$854 50

VIII.—GERMAN HYMN BOOK ACCOUNT.

Receipts for the year	$ 1,622 30	In the Treasury	$2,427 50
Balance from last year	805 20		
	$2,427 50		$2,427 50

IX.—GERMAN PROFESSOR ACCOUNT.

Contributions to Salary	$829 00	Paid to Prof. Wackernagel	$829 00
	$829 00		$829 00

X.—THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ACCOUNT.

1.—CURRENT ACCOUNT.

Interest on Endowment	$6,793 71	Professors' Salaries	$4,550 00
Conts. from Congs	60 00	App. to Dr. Spaeth	300 60
" Pittsburg Synod	60 00	" to Library & Librarian,	150 00
" N. Y. Ministerium	15 00	" to Janitor, 18 months	275 00
Balance from sale of heater	50 00	Coal and Wood	573 40
Balance from last year	352 62	Gas and Water	373 13
		Repairs, &c	288 62
			$6,509 15
		Balance in Treasury	823 18
	$7,331 33		$7,331 33

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2. ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.

Investments returned	$5,700 00	New Investments	$15,950 00
Sale of West Phila. properties	8,950 00	In care of W. H. Staake awaiting settlement	2,278 90
Subscriptions paid	150 00	Balance in Treasury	738 90
Additional Contributions to St. John's Professorship	725 90		
Balance from last year	3,441 00		
	$18,966 09		$18,966 90

3. NEW BUILDING ACCOUNT.

Contributions Received	$7,737 25	On Deposit	$7,737 25
	$7,737 25		$7,737 25

SUMMARY.

Received.		Expended.	
General Fund	$13,672 78	Synodical	$3,952 57
Education	1,609 78	Education	4,712 50
Home Missions	1,537 08	Home Missions	4,939 51
General Council Missions	1,507 85	Gen'l Council Missions	3,157 85
Foreign Missions	2,405 15	Foreign Missions	2,405 15
Pastor's Widows, &c	1,259 97	Pastor's Widows, &c	800 00
English Church Book	854 50	English Church Book	369 12
German Hymn Book	2,427 50	German Hymn Book	000 00
German Professor	829 00	German Professor	829 00
Seminary Account	7,331 33	Seminary Account	6,509 15
" Endowment	18,966 90	" Endowment	18,228 00
" New Building	7,737 25		$45,902 85
		Balance in Treasury of all Funds	14,236 24
	$60,139 09		$60,139 09

The contributions of congregations to the various Synodical Funds amounted to $16,447.61, contributed as follows:

Rev. J. G. Abele	$ 10 00	Rev. J. W. Early	$30 00
" W. J. Andres	125 00	" W. S. Emery	50 00
" J. M. Anspach	125 00	" J. S. Erb	100 00
" B. F. Apple	66 52	" A. E. Erdman	50 60
" E. A. Bauer	85 00	" H. N. Fegley	155 00
" J. F. Bayer	50 00	" H. S. Fegley	140 89
" J. L. Becker	141 00	" A. Finfrock	145 59
" F. P. Bender	75 00	" C. G. Fischer	30 00
" A. Berg	50 00	" J. C. Fluck	25 00
" F Berkemeyer	157 81	" G. D. Foust	7 70
" I. W. Bieber	229 00	" S. A. K. Francis	100 00
" W. J. Bieber	180 00	" W. K. Frick	19 50
" E. S. Brownmiller	45 10	" J. Fry	790 00
" G. A. Bruegel	102 46	" Z. H. Gable	111 22
" H. H. Bruning	47 75	" I. W. Gauker	30 00
" E. R. Cassady	17 50	" G. F. Gardner	22 50
" H. T. Clymer	10 00	" W. H. Geiger	50 00
" C. J. Cooper	130 05	" D. H. Geissinger	300 00
" J. J. Cressman	86 22	" E. H. Gehrart	12 98
" J. A. Darmstetter	52 00	" H. Giesz	155 00
" J. C. Dizinger	32 50	" H. Grahn	117 10
" C. K. Drumheller	26 46 29 85	" Dr. Greenwald " C. L. Fry	301 56
" H. T. Duensing	5 00		

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Rev.	L. Groh	$353 00
"	J. R. Groff	10 00
"	J. Gruhler	20 50
"	G. F. W. Guensch	50 50
"	G. C. H. Hasskarl	15 00
"	J. W. Hassler	66 10
"	T. Heilig	26 66
"	U. P. Heilman	140 00
"	F. T. Hennicke	35 00
"	S. S. Henry	17 55
"	R. Hill	175 00
"	J. Hillpot	85 17
"	G. A. Hinterleitner	80 00
"	C. J. Hirzel	25 00
"	M. C. Horine	200 00
"	A. R. Horne, D.D.	19 00
"	C. E. Houpt	25 00
"	D. K. Humbert	200 00
"	F. K. Huntzinger	17 00
"	T. T. Iaeger	88 00
"	P. Isenschmid	70 00
"	J. Jaeger	179 32
"	F. A. Kaehler	315 00
"	D. K. Kepner	225 00
"	J. W. Klingler	76 00
"	B. E. Kramlich	225 00
"	M. J. Kramlich	11 50
"	G. F. Krotel, D.D.	500 00
"	J. H. Kuder	83 79
"	J. J. Kuendig	100 00
"	D. Kuntz	160 00
"	J. J. Kuntz	100 00
"	W. H. Kuntz	75 00
"	S. Laird	1,200 00
"	M. B. Lenker	10 00
"	O. Leopold	135 00
"	L. Lindenstruth	47 00
"	A Linsz	5 00
"	A. J. Long	180 68
"	W. J. Mann, D.D.	702 00
"	A. B. Markley	35 00
"	D. M. Martens	50 00
"	J. W. Mattern	30 00
"	F. P. Mayser	95 00
"	G. P. Mueller	14 00
"	W. H. Myers	25 00
"	J. Neff	25 00
"	J. H. Neiman	97 69
"	J. E. Nidecker (Wilkes-B)	60 00
"	S. E. Ochsenford	55 00
"	J. F. Ohl	86 28
"	P. Pfatteicher	150 00
"	A. P. Pflueger	120 54
"	J. G. Pfuhl	25 00
"	J. B. Rath	100 00
"	M. O. Rath	38 55
"	W. Rath	208 36
Rev.	J. Rechsteiner	$ 12 00
"	D. E. Reed	15 00
"	E. L. Reed	25 00
"	D. H. Reiter	80 00
"	W. Rieb	100 00
"	W. H. Rickert	20 00
"	D. Sanner [sonal]	34 00
"	Dr. C. W. Schaeffer (per-	25 00
"	W. A. Schaeffer (Wilkes-B)	31 50
"	F. J. F. Schantz	125 00
"	M. Schimpf	25 00
"	J. D. Schindel	150 00
"	B. W. Schmauk (All't'n)	89 81
"	B. W. Schmauk }	265 80
"	T. E. Schmauk }	
"	J. H. Schmidt	19 18
"	B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	230 00
"	G. S. Seaman	96 96
"	H. E. Semmel	26 60
"	E. E. Sibole	550 00
"	J. L. Sibole	100 00
"	E. Smith	150 00
"	L. Smith	20 00
"	O. P. Smith	175 00
"	B. S. Smoll	80 00
"	A. Spaeth, D.D.	210 00
"	G. F. Spieker (Kutztown)	75 75
"	" " (Allentown)	95 00
"	D. M. Stetler	30 00
"	A. M. Strauss	100 00
"	W. H. Strauss	112 13
"	H. B. Strodach	5 00
"	G. A. Struntz	30 00
"	D. D. Trexler	46 83
"	J. Q. Upp	87 78
"	J. H. Voss	4 00
"	W. Wackernagle, D.D.	59 97
"	R. S. Wagner	27 36
"	A. W. Walter	13 00
"	F. Walz	148 24
"	J. F. Wampole	75 00
"	A. J. Weddel	265 00
"	H. Weicksel	70 00
"	F. W. Weiskotten	100 00
"	C. F. Welden	28 75
"	F. Wischan	168 72
"	S. Yingling	20 00
"	J. Zentner	50 00
"	S. A. Ziegenfuss	127 50
"	P. F. Zizelman	35 00
"	B. D. Zweizig	100 00
"	M. L. Zweizig	15 00
"	Ger. Church, Manayunk.	30 00
"	" " Norristown	25 00
"	Newtown S. School	2 96
"	Readers of *Weltbote*	12 00

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The following contributions were received for Home Missions of the General Council:

Rev. J. G. Abele	$ 10 17
" E. A. Bauer	20 00
" E. S. Brownmiller	20 00
" C. J. Cooper	13 70
" J. A. Darmstaetter	50 00
" J. C. Dizinger	15 00
" J. W. Early	16 41
" I. N. S. Erb	10 00
" H. N. Fegley	35 52
" C. G. Fischer	5 00
" W. K. Frick	12 28
" E. H. Gerhart	10 00
" H. Grahn	5 00
" J. Gruhler	6 00
" G. F. W. Guensch	4 50
" S. S. Henry	10 00
" R. Hill	125 00
" G. A. Hinterleitner	32 00
" T. T. Iaeger	50 00
Rev. P. Isenschmid	$ 9 50
" J. J. Kuendig	380 00
" O. Leopold	100 00
" L. Lindenstruth	5 00
" W. J. Mann, D.D.	50 00
" F. P. Mayser	50 00
" G. P. Mueller	7 00
" J. G. Pfuhl	25 00
" J. Rechsteiner	5 00
" W. A. Schaeffer	5 00
" G. S. Seaman	8 00
" L. Smith	17 77
" A. Spaeth, D.D.	75 00
" A. M. Strauss	25 00
" H. B. Strodach	20 00
" W. Wackernagel, D.D	5 00
" F. Wischan	250 00
" P. F. Zizelman	40 00

The following contributions to the support of the German Professor in Muhlenberg College were received:

Rev. W. J. Andres	$25 00
" J. M. Anspach	25 00
" E. A. Bauer	15 00
" J. F. Bayer	10 00
" J. L. Becker	20 00
" I. W. Bieber	10 00
" E. S. Brownmiller	10 00
" G. A. Bruegel	15 00
" C. J. Cooper	10 00
" J. J. Cressman	10 00
" J. C. Dizinger	5 00
" J. W. Early	5 00
" I. N. S. Erb	25 00
" J. S. Erb	5 00
" H. N. Fegley	10 00
" H. S. Fegley	5 00
" Z. H. Gable	5 00
" W. H. Geiger	5 00
" J. P. German	5 00
" L. Groh	10 00
" G. F. W. Guensch	10 00
" J. Hillpot	10 00
" G. A. Hinterleitner	25 00
" D. K. Humbert	25 00
" T. T. Iaeger	10 00
" P. Isenschmid	5 00
" F. A. Kaehler	10 00
Rev. D. K. Kepner	$ 25 00
" B. E. Kramlich	10 00
" G. F. Krotel, D.D.	100 00
" J. J. Kuntz	5 00
" L. Lindenstruth	10 00
" W. J. Mann, D.D.	50 00
" J. F. Ohl	10 00
" A. P. Pflueger	20 00
" J. G. Pfuhl	15 00
" J. Rechsteiner	10 00
" W. Rieb	25 00
" M. Schimpf	6 00
" J. D. Schindel	15 00
" B. W. Schmauk	38 00
" E. Smith	20 00
" A. Spaeth, D.D.	50 00
" G. F. Spieker	10 00
" W. H. Strauss	10 00
" D. D. Trexler	5 00
" J. Q. Upp	10 00
" F. Walz	10 00
" F. W. Weiskotten	25 00
" S. A. Ziegenfuss	20 00
" Dr. P. M. Schiedt	5 00
	$939 00

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The following contributions were received for the new Seminary Building :

Rev. C. J. Cooper	$ 2 50	Rev. J. Zentner	$100 00
" J. W. Early	52 45	" J. S. Erb, proceeds of Slatington Jubilee	25 20
" H. N. Fegley	138 51	F. Byerle, proceeds of Phila. Jubilee	1,000 60
" H. S. Fegley	11 21	St. John's Ger. Church, Wilkes-Barre	283 75
" J. Fry	1,460 84	Charles Rock	1 00
" E. H. Gerhart	25 00	Rev. F. W. Kohler, Pbg. Syn.	60 00
" Dr. Greenwald } " C. L. Fry }	200 00	Unknown Donor, per Rev. F. C. E. Lemcke	50 00
" L. Groh	26 00	Unknown Donor, per Dr. Passavant	5 00
" J. Gruhler	67 06	Rev. W. A. Passavant, Jr.	50 00
" F. K. Huntzinger	50 00	A. Shoop, Armstrong Co	2 00
" J. J. Kuntz	18 25	Rev. J. D. Hager, N. Y. Min.	16 00
" S. Laird	1,547 57	" C. L. Knapp, " "	6 00
" M. B. Lenker	7 86	English Lutheran Church, Columbus, O	7 02
" J. H. Neiman	100 00	Rev. F. Veit, Ontario	12 00
" W. Rieb	150 00	Mrs. Hoskins, Dakota	1 00
" Dr. Seiss	426 66	Interest on Deposit	9 00
" G. S. Seaman	164 75		
" E. E. Sibole	1,251 50		
" J. L. Sibole	121 40		
" E. Smith	120 25		
" H. B. Strodach	288 00		

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB FRY, *Treasurer.*

READING PA., June 5, 1884.

This report was referred to an auditing committee consisting of Revs. R. Hill, J. K. Plitt, J. W. Early, J. F. Ohl, Messrs. R. A. Baer, H. Lehman, A. J. D. Wedemeyer, C. Norton.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz, English Secretary of the Executive Committee of Synod, now presented

The Report of the Executive Committee.

During the past Synodical year the Executive Committee held its first regular meeting at Norristown, Pa.; a special meeting at Allentown, Pa., and the three remaining stated meetings at Reading, Pa.

I.—EDUCATIONAL BUSINESS.

Twenty-nine students were aided during the past year, in their preparation for the ministry, from funds of the ministerium, viz:

In Theological Seminary.—T. M. Angstadt, J. F. Baetis, C. L. Holloway, J. W. Mahn, O. D. Miller and F. J. McCready, of Senior Class; A. J. Heissler, R. D. Roeder and I. K. Wismer, of Middle Class; J. J. Foust, F. Kayser, J. J. Kline and J. H. Ritter of Junior Class. Total 14.

In Muhlenberg College.—W. J. Finck, H. C. Fox, J. J. Heissler, H. J. Kuder, J. J. Reitz, G. J. Schaeffer, S. G. Weiskotten and W. F. Zuber, of Senior Class;

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R. B. Lynch, W. Weicksel and E. A. Yehl, of Junior Class; C. J. Jeffries, E. T. Kretchman, N. Schmidt and H. K. Weaver, of Sophomore Class. Total 15.

The appropriations from the funds of the Ministerium to these students amounted to $2,200, for students in Theological Seminary, and $2,512.50 for students in Muhlenberg College. Total $4,712.50, besides the use of scholarships donated by the following:

1. Trinity Church, Reading, Pa.
2. Mr. W. A. Arnold, Reading, Pa.
3. Mr. S. H. Kutz, Reading, Pa.
4. St. James' Church, Reading, Pa.
5. Mr. Jacob Fegely, Pottstown, Pa.
6. Mr. George H. Reinoehl, Lebanon, Pa.
7. Emanuel Church, Pottstown, Pa.
8. Mr. H. Trexler, Reading, Pa.

The use of these scholarships saved the Ministerium $400.

The reports of the scholarship and department of students, received from the Faculties of the Theological Seminary and of the College were carefully examined.

The number of applicants for aid during the past year was not as large as in former years.

An appropriation of $1,000, was made from the funds of the Ministerium for the support of Muhlenberg College during the year.

II.—HOME MISSIONS.

During the past Synodical year aid was extended to twenty-five missions, located within the bounds of this Synod. Of these 4 missions were under the control of the German City Mission Board, 5 under that of the English City Mission Board, and the remaining 16 under the direct care of the Executive Committee. The German Mission in Pittston, Trinity Church at Catasauqua, Pa., and the German Church at Phillipsburg, N. J., have become self-sustaining. Aid was extended to new mission fields.

The missions under the direct care of the Executive Committee are the following:

IN THE FIRST CONFERENCE.

The New Jersey Mission Field.—Rev. George F. Miller, pastor. Millville, Vineland, and New Germany, constitute this mission. It numbers about 150 members. The missionary who cared for the field for part of the year, departed this life, and of late the field has been supplied by appointments of the First Conference.

The appropriation to the mission for a part of the year was at the rate of $250 for the year.

Hainsport and Riverside, N. J., Rev. A. Voigt, pastor. The mission numbers 66 members at Hainsport, and 35 at Riverside. The mission shows signs of progress and the missionary has reason to be encouraged in his work.

The appropriations to the mission were at the rate of $200 for the year.

Chester, Pa.—This mission is still without a pastor. It has been supplied with services at times during the year. No appropriation was paid during the past year to this mission.

IN THE SECOND CONFERENCE.

Bangor, Northampton County, Pa.—Rev. B. F. Apple, pastor. This is a new mission and shows signs of great prosperity. The congregation numbers 145 members of whom 50 were received during the past pear. The Sunday School numbers 180 teachers and scholars. The basement of the new Church Building was consecrated in October, 1883.

The appropriation to the mission was $200 for the year.

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Weatherly, Carbon County, Pa.—Rev. L. Smith, pastor. Zion's Church numbers about 80 communicants—chiefly European Germans. The Sunday School is well attended. The missionary commenced his labors in October, 1883. He writes hopefully of the prospects of the mission.

The appropriation to the mission was at the rate of $100 for the year.

Pittston, Luzerne County, Pa.—Rev. G. A. Struntz, pastor. The mission consists of three congregations—Pittston, Hampton, and Ransom. The labors of the missionary were crowned with great success. At the Spring meeting of the Executive Committee—the charge returned thanks for the aid extended by Synod and announced that in future the members would support the pastor.

The appropriation to April 1st, 1884, was at the rate of $100 for the year.

Sand Cut, Wayne County, Pa.—Rev. H. T. Clymer, pastor. The mission consists of Grace Church at Sand Cut, numbering 26 communicants, and St John's Church at Clifton, numbering 23 communicants. Sunday Schools are held at both places. The lumbering business is on the decrease and thus the population not very settled.

The appropriation to the mission was at the rate of $100 for the year.

The English Mission at Scranton, Pa.—Rev. M. L. Zweizig, missionary. The congregation at this place is greatly in need of a suitable Church Building. It is compelled at present to worship in a third-story hall. The congregation numbers about 80 members. The pastor and people, tried by many adverse circumstances, continue in the good work with the hope of a brighter day.

The appropriation to this mission for the year was $400.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—St. John's Church. Rev. W. A. Schaeffer, pastor, accepted a call to St. Stephen's Church, West Philadelphia, and ended his labors in this mission Dec. 31st, 1883. Rev. Samuel G. Finckel, commenced his labors in the mission Jan. 1st, 1884. The congregation numbers 116 communicants and the Sunday School 250 scholars. The mission is in a flourishing condition.

The appropriation to the mission was at the rate of $300 for the year.

Eckley, Luzerne County, Pa.—Rev. J. H. Schmidt (residing at Freeland, Pa.) pastor. The charge consists of four congregations in Luzerne County—at Eckley, Jeddo, Freeland, and Upper Lehigh. The watchful and zealous missionary has continued in the work with his former close attention to his duties, and has been permitted to see many fruits of his labors.

The appropriation to the mission for the year was $150.

The Sclavonic Mission in Luzerne County, Pa.—Rev. Carl Horak, missionary, Freeland, Pa. This brother commenced his labors among the Sclavonians June 1st, 1883. As he was not ordained until October 16th, 1883, he was not able to perform all ministerial acts Before October he visited Freeland, Hazleton, Wilkes-Barre, and Nanticoke, and ministered to the people by means of the Word of God. Since his ordinatlon he has extended his labors to Mt. Pleasant and Mahanoy City. The experience of the missionary was very trying. The people are willing to attend communion once or twice a year, but not as regularly the services at other times. The love of money which they seek, has demoralized them. The labors of the missionary have not been in vain, a number of the people attend Church service regularly to receive the Word of life, and the missionary hopes that the attendance will increase. He reports the baptism of 2 children; the confirmation of 3 young persons; 6 marriages; 190 communicants and 4 funerals.

The Executive Committee at its meeting on April 1st, 1884, made an appropriation to the mission at the rate of $150 for the year to date from March 1st, 1884.

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IN THE THIRD CONFERENCE.

Girardville, Schuylkill County, Pa.—Rev. W. M. Rehrig, pastor. The work at this place is progressing with such success, that although the mission was aided only since Jan. 1st, 1883, the congregation asked for the renewal of the appropriation for only six months more dating from April 1st, 1884. The pastor's labors have been crowned with great success in influencing the people to seek union with the Church.

The appropriation was at the rate of $150 for the year.

St. Clair and Middleport, Schuylkill County, Pa.—Rev. Hugo Wendel, pastor. These two congregations were constituted a mission a year ago. An appropriation was made to the same at the rate of $100 for the year, subsequently increased to $150. The pastor however remained only to the close of January, having accepted a call to St. Thomas' Church at Germantown, Pa. The congregations are now supplied by the pastors at Pottsville and Frackville; without appropriation from Synod.

IN THE FOURTH CONFERENCE.

There was no mission under the care of the Executive Committee.

IN THE FIFTH CONFERENCE..

Lykens, Pa.— Rev. B. M. Lenker, pastor. The missionary labors at Lykens, Williamstown, Tower City, and Johnstown. This mission suffers from the many changes in population to which the district is subjected. It is, however, expected that the charges will be self-sustaining in the near future. The appropriation to the mission was $112.50.

Middleburg, Snyder County, Pa.—Rev. D. E. Reed, pastor. This mission in Snyder County, of which Middleburg is the central congregation, consists of a number of missions scattered over an extended district of country. The missionary accepted a call to Cogan Station Charge, and thus the mission is at present without a pastor. The appropriation to the mission was at the rate of $200 for the year.

Jersey Shore, Lycoming, County, Pa.—Rev. S. S. Henry, pastor. This mission consists of Zions Church at Jersey Shore, Messiah Church in White Deer Valley, Union County, and St. James' Church in Muncy Township, Lycoming County. The missionary has also reorganized the congregation at Sollidaysburg about seven miles North from Jersey Shore. The membership numbers about 200. The lower congregrations are at a considerable distance from Jersey Shore. The labors of the pastor are very arduous, but he labors not in vain. The appropriation to the mission was at the rate of $150 for the year.

Germania, Potter County, Pa.—Rev. J. H. Voss, pastor. This mission consists of congregations in Potter and Tioga Counties, viz: St. Matthew's in Germania, St. John's in Coudersport and St Paul's at Blossburg. There are other points in the two counties where the services of the missionary are required. The congregations are widely separated and the labors of the missionary are attended by many trials in view of the distances to be travelled and the difficulties that attend work under such circumstances. The Committee feels convinced that more vigorous measures must be adopted to prosecute the work successfully in this field, which becomes the more important in view of an increase in population. The appropriation to this mission was $200 for the year.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS WITH REFERENCE TO THE MISSION IN POTTER AND TIOGA COUNTIES.

The following action was taken by the Executive Committee at its meeting, April 1st, 1884: On motion

Resolved, That, in view of the growing importance of the mission field in Potter and Tioga Counties, the Committee are convinced that more active measures must be taken to provide for its wants.

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Resolved, That the Committee are pursuaded that, at his age and state of health, our faithful and esteemed Bro. Voss is no longer able to meet the demands of the field.

Resolved, That the Committee will propose to the Synod to provide a home for Bro. Voss from and after the meeting of Synod and that Bro. Voss' relation to that field as missionary terminate at that time.

Resolved, That the Secretary of Executive Committee convey to Bro. Voss and to the Congregration knowledge of this action, and that he be requested, if possible, to visit them for this purpose.

Applications were made for the support of new missions, within the bounds of the Synod and aid was promised to date from the time of the location of missionaries in their respective fields.

The German Board of City Missions and the English Board of City Missions will present their respective separate reports of the missions under their care.

The amount appropriated by the Executive Committee and expended in the support of these 25 missions during the year was $4,939.51. Of this sum $2,456.67 were expended on the 16 missions under the direct care of the Executive Committee; $1,132.84 on the 4 missions under the control of the German Board of City Missions, and $1,350.00 on the 5 missions under the supervision of the English Board of City Missions, making a total to City Missions of $2,482.84.

HOME MISSIONS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

At a special meeting of the Executive Committee held June 26th, 1883, at Allentown, Pa., which the German Home Mission Committee of the General Council and the English Home Mission Committee of the General Council had been invited to attend, after an extended, thorough and interesting discussion of the object of the meeting, viz: "To propose the most practical, efficient and satisfactory plan for raising moneys for the Home Mission work of the General Council in connection with collections for the purposes of Synod,"

It was on motion

Resolved, That, in view of the magnitude and importance of the Home Mission work of the General Council, this convention declares its conviction that the necessary funds can not be secured within the apportionments or other systems for raising funds now in use and we therefore appeal to our congregations to open their churches to the English and German Home Mission Committees of the General Council for extra and enlarged contributions.

A committee was appointed to publish the declaration made by the convention, viz: Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., B. M. Schmucker, D.D., J. J. Kuendig and F. J. F. Schantz. The appeal was prepared and published according to instructions.

During the present Synodical year $1,650.00 were appropriated to the German and English Home Mission Committees of General Council in addition to the amounts designated by contributors.

GENERAL COUNCIL TREASURY.

Three hundred dollars were appropriated from the English Church Book Funds to the Treasury of the General Council for its current expenses.

AUDIT OF THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

The Treasurer's Account was audited at the meetings held in Oct. 1883, Jan. and April, 1884, and found to be correct.

REVISION OF THE FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

In obedience to the instructions given at the last convention of Synod to "revise the Form of Parochial Reports" the Executive Committee at its meeting held April 1st, 1884, agreed to recommend the following:

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I. That the heading of the Form shall read "for the year ending Whitsunday, 18—" instead of "Trinity Sunday."

II. In the Congregational Statistics, under the item, *Losses*, instead of "By Death of Confirmed," it shall read "By Death of Confirmed Members.". Also under the item, *Sunday Schools*, instead of "Teachers" it shall read, in both places, "Officers and Teachers."

III. For that part of the Parochial Report relating to Contributions, the Committee has had printed and distributed an entirely new Form which they hereby offer as a substitute for that now in use.

IV. It is furthermore recommended that hereafter the Form for Congregational Statistics and the Form for Statement of Contributions be printed separately, and a copy of each be sent each pastor, who, after filling them out, shall give the former to the Secretaries and the latter to the Treasurer, and that from these the Secretaries shall prepare the table of Congregational Statistics, and the Treasurer the table of Contributions for publication in the printed minutes.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE MEETINGS AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF SYNOD.

At the Foreign Missionary Meeting.—Thursday evening, June 5th, 1884. Speaker, Rev. H. C. Schmidt, Missionary in India.

At the Home Missionary Meeting.—Friday evening, June 6th, 1884. Speakers, Rev. J. Rechsteiner and J. L. Sibole.

At the Orphan Home Meeting.—Saturday evening, June 7th, 1884. The officers of the Orphans' Home are to appoint clergymen, members of the Ministerium, to deliver addresses.

At the Meeting in the Interest of Education and Educational Institutions.—Monday evening, June 9th 1884. Speakers, Rev. J. E. Nidecker and Rev. O. P. Smith.

Respectfully Submitted,

F. J. F. SCHANTZ, *English Secretary.*

This report was laid on the table for subsequent action.

On motion of Rev. J. Fry. D.D., Synod ordered that, instead of a regular doctrinal discussion on Friday and Saturday mornings, the revised "Charter, Constitution and By-Laws of the Ministerium" be taken up for consideration.

On motion of Rev. J. J. Kuendig, the hours for meeting and adjourning after this session were fixed as follows: For meeting, 8:30 A.M. and 2 P.M.; for adjourning, 11:30 A.M. and 5 P.M.

The tellers on the election of officers, reported that there had been no election for President and Secretaries, and that Rev. J. B. Rath was elected Treasurer.

The President then ordered a second ballot for President and Secretaries.

After the ballot was taken, Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. E. A. Bauer.

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SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY, June 6, 8:30 A.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. L. Groh.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The tellers on the election of officers reported that Rev. C. J. Cooper was elected English Secretary, and Rev. J. C. Dizinger, German Secretary; but that there had been no election for President.

Upon this, Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., withdrew as a candidate; and by order of Synod the English Secretary cast the ballot for Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., and he was declared elected President.

The newly elected officers then took their seats.

Rev. R. Hill received permission to present a resolution from the Second Conference as follows:—

"***Resolved***, That if a clergyman be a member of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, or of the Board of Trustees of Muhlenberg College, or of the Executive Committee of the Ministerium, he shall not at the same time be eligible to membership in either of the other two bodies.

On motion this resolution was referred to the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution of Synod.

W. H. Staake, Esq., here announced, that, by a special arrangement on the part of Mr. J. G. Finley, Dr. C. R. Morgan had been secured to take a stenographic report of the proceedings which would afterwards be published provided the proper encouragement were given.

The order of the day being the consideration of the revised Constitution, printed copies in English were distributed to the members. Rev. H Grahn read the German paragraphs from manuscript. The remainder of the session was occupied in discussing Chapter First and Chapter Second as far as Section II, Paragraph 1.

On motion Synod ordered a Ministerial Session at 4 P.M.

The session was closed with prayer by Rev. C. F. Welden.

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THIRD SESSION.

FRIDAY, June 6, 2 P.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. J. Gruhler.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The President announced the following

Regular Committees.

1. *On the President's Report.*—Revs. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., G. A. Hinterleitner, D. M. Henkel, D.D., F. P. Mayser, D. H. Geissinger, L. Lindenstruth, Messrs. P. B. Breinig, M.D., J. Born, A. Reinoehl, W. J. Kratz.

2. *Treasurer's Report.*—Revs. R. Hill, J. K. Plitt, J. W. Early, J. F. Ohl, Messrs. R. A. Baer, H. Lehman, A. J. D. Wedemeyer, C. Norton.

3. *Committee on Excuses.*—Revs. F. Berkemeyer, D. M. Martens, J. F. Wampole, B. E. Kramlich, O. Loepold, D. Sanner.

4. *Ministerial Business.*—Revs. C. F. Welden, G. W. Laitzle, E. A. Bauer, J. Kohler, Messrs. J. J. Mohr, J. G. Frank, G. Van Buskirk.

5. *Parochial Reports.*—Revs. B. W. Schmauk, E. Smith, H. H. Brunning, G. A. Bruegel, G. F. Spieker, Messrs. A. Bendel, G. F. Herman, H. S. Cassel.

6. *President's Account.*—Revs. W. J. Mann, D.D., B. Sadtler, D. D., W. Rath.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, now presented the

Report of the Directors of the Theological Seminary.

Soon after the last meeting of the Synod, a special meeting of the Board of Directors was held June 12, 1883. Rev. Dr. H. E. Jacobs communicated to the Board his acceptance of the appointment to the Norton Professorship, and that he would be present to enter on his work at the opening of the fall term. With reference to the new Seminary Building, it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to examine different locations within the corporate limits of the City of Philadelphia, ascertain the price, advantages and all features of such locations as they think desirable, and report to the

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Board at a meeting to be called. The Committee were instructed to seek the advice and cooperation of the Faculty.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and present to the Board general outlines of what is needed in the new Seminary Buildings.

Resolved, That the members of the Alumni Association, who are Directors, be a Committee to devise and put in operation plans to raise moneys for the purchase of ground and erection of new Seminary Buildings, and that they seek the advice and cooperation of all the Alumni of the Seminary, and that they have authority to propose Lay Directors as members of the Committee. The Committee are to report to the Board from time to time.

Another special meeting was held September 20, 1883, for the purpose of hearing the report of the Committee to select a site. The Committee described a number of places examined by them, but were not yet prepared to propose final action. It was resolved that they be instructed to decide as quickly as possible upon a few sites deemed by them most desirable for the purpose intended, ascertain the cost, get all needed information about them and make report to the Board at a meeting to be called for the purpose, and that arrangements be made for a visit to such locations as the Board may desire to inspect.

The Finance Committee were desired to ascertain the price at which the present Seminary Building may be sold.

No other meeting of the Board was called until the time of the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Directors of the Seminary was held at the Seminary Building on Franklin street in Philadelphia on Monday and Tuesday in Whitsunweek, June 2d and 3d, 1884. There were present 14 clerical and 8 Lay Directors from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania and 1 clerical and 2 Lay Directors from that of New York.

The whole number of students in attendance within the year was 52. Of these, 13 were in the Senior Class; 22 in the Middle Class, and 15 in the Junior Class. Two others connected with the German Home Mission work have pursued an elective course during part of the year. Of the whole number 10 were hospitants. Eight members of the Senior Class were, upon the recommendation of the Faculty, admitted to graduation.

The whole of Monday was devoted to the examination of the students, the results of which were gratifying.

The Treasurer's Report will be presented by him, in full, to the Synod and need not be given here. It was the opinion of the Directors that, as the Synod held and administered the funds of the Seminary in trust, the full exhibit should be made to the Synod and audited here.

The subject of greatest interest which occupied the attention of the Directors was the question of the erection of the new Seminary Buildings.

The Committee charged with a selection of a site reported that, after a long-continued and toilsome enquiry, in which over an hundred different places had been considered, they had agreed to propose the selection of a site, situated between the main track of the Pennsylvania Railroad, beyond the 52nd street station, and the line of the new Schuylkill Valley Railroad and bounded by that line on the East, separated by that roadway alone from West Fairmount Park, immediately opposite George's Hill. The tract contains between six and seven acres, is of a commanding eminence giving to buildings on it an outlook over a large part of the city. The price which has been asked by those having control of the sale is $5,000 per acre. The Board visited the site and after a free discussion it was

Resolved, That the report of the Committee appointed to select a site be presented to the Synod, and that the Board of Directors recommends that, if the site can be procured at a reasonable price, it should be purchased for the erection thereon of the new Seminary Buildings.

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The Committee to propose plans reported that, after having discussed the requirements, for which provision should be made, they were pursuaded that plans for the buildings could not properly be made until the site had been selected. The Committee was continued.

The Committee who had in charge the of the raising moneys needed for the erection of the buildings reported that they had made a beginning last fall, but that as no site was selected and no plan of buildings furnished, they had not prosecuted the work.

The library of Dr. Krauth was transferred to the possession of the Seminary, as was arranged last year, and there being no suitable provision for its use, the books were boxed up and deposited in a secure warehouse.

It was *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire what arrangements can be made for the safe use of the library of Dr. Krauth until the new Seminary be erected and ready to receive them, and that they report to the President of the Board who may call a special meeting of the Directors if necessary.

The whole subject of the erection of new Seminary Buildings, with all the questions involved, is commended anew to the earnest consideration of the Synod. The Board reviews the statement of its unaltered conviction of the necessity and urgency of the undertaking.

The term of service of five clerical and as many lay Directors expires at this time.

On motion this report was considered item by item.

With reference to the recommendation of the Board that the site for the new Seminary buildings specified in their report be purchased, Synod, on motion of Rev. R. Hill, resolved unanimously that the plot of ground recommended by the Board of Directors does satisfy us as a proper location for the institution.

On motion of Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., a committee consisting of five clergymen and three laymen, were appointed to take into consideration the financial aspects of the new Seminary and report on Monday afternoon. The Chair appointed the following Committee:

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D.
" J. A. Seiss, D.D.
" B. W. Schmauk.
" R. Hill.
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.
Mr. John C. File.
" W. H. Staake.
" C. Norton.

On motion the reading of the report of the Trustees of the Orphan's Home and Asylum was made the first order of business for Saturday afternoon.

The hour for holding a Ministerial Session having arrived, Synod was closed with prayer by Rev. C. W. Schaeffer, D.D.

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FOURTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, June 7, 8:30 A.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. W. Rath.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

At the request of Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., Chairman of the Committee on the financial aspects of the new Seminary, Synod decided to hear the report of the Committee at half-past nine o'clock.

The order of the day being the consideration of the Revised Constitution of Synod the same was discussed from Chapter Second, Section II, Paragraph 2, to Paragraph 8; and the following changes proposed: In Paragraph 5, the word "Congregations" was substituted for "Churches," and "doctrinal" for "theological." In Paragraph 7, the words "at the first regular meeting after" were substituted for "at the last meeting before."

The time for hearing the report of the Committee on the financial aspects of the new Seminary having arrived, the English Secretary read the same, and on motion it was taken up for consideration. It elicited considerable discussion, and, after having been recommitted to the Committee, was finally adopted as a whole, as follows:

Report of the Committee on the Seminary.

WHEREAS, The Ministerium has declared its approval of the location recommended by the Board of Directors for the erection of the new Seminary buildings,

Resolved, That the President of this Ministerium be authorized in the name of this Corporation to negotiate with the owners of the lots of ground in West Philadelphia referred to the report of the Directors of the Theological Seminary for the purchase of the said lots of ground and if a reasonable arrangement can be made, by and with the advice and consent of the Finance Committee, to conclude the purchase of the said lots of ground or so much thereof as may be required for the purposes of this Corporation.

Resolved, That an immediate effort be made to secure subscriptions toward the purchase of the said lots of ground, and that an opportunity be at once given to all the members of the Synod to make their voluntary offerings.

Resolved, That the action of Synod a year ago with reference to this matter be reaffirmed. See English Minutes of 1883, pages 37, 47, 48.

Resolved, That an agent be appointed by Synod, not with a view to canvass all our Congregations, but to act under special directions and the supervision of the Board of Directors.

Resolved, That we earnestly request our Conferences, Pastors and Church Councils, heartily to Cooperate with the Board in its efforts to secure subsbriptions.

Resolved, That the amount which we should aim at raising be $150,000.

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On motion a Committee of three was appointed to distribute papers to the members of Synod to make their subscriptions. Committee:

Rev. A. SPAETH, D.D.
" B. M. SCHMUCKER, D.D.
" J. FRY, D.D.

On motion the hour of adjournment for the afternoon session was fixed a 4 o'clock.

On motion the report of the Trustees of Muhlenberg College was ordered to follow the report of the Orphan's Home and Asylum.

Synod was closed with prayer by Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., at 11:15 to hold a Ministerial Session.

FIFTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, June 7, 2 P.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. J. H. Baden, delegate of the New York Ministerium.

The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Rev. J. H. Baden, received permission to present the greetings of the New York Ministerium to this Synod. The President responded in fitting terms.

Mr. J. C. File, then presented the Twenty-fifth annual report of

The Orphans' Home and Asylum at Germantown, Pa.,

as follows:

The seed that was planted twenty-five years ago has ever since been developing into vigorous life. Although at first small as a grain of mustard seed, it has become a great tree, affording protection and shelter to many who, like fowls of the air, have sought refuge under its branches.

This result has only been accomplished by faithful, persistent, continuous effort year after year.

Looking back over the twenty-five years now past, we have abundant reason here to raise our Ebenezer and say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Truly, God has been good to us as to Israel of old, and has blessed the feeble efforts put forth in His name, in little faith it may be, and amid many discouragements, so that the results of to-day are, in many respects, far beyond our expectations.

The health of the inmates, both old and young, has been remarkably good, especially that of the children. We have had no serious illness whatever during the year, except in one case, a child of four and a half years, who died on January 11th last, of cerebro-spinal meningitis. Even during the severe vari-

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able weather of the past winter the children have been almost entirely exempt from coughs and colds.

Up to the present time there have been 501 children received into the Home. Last year we had in the

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seventy-seven (77) children. Since then there have been received seven (7) boys and nine (9) girls, viz.: 10 from Philadelphia, 1 from Reading, 2 from Orwigsburg, 2 from Lower Saucon and 1 from Germany. Besides the one death already referred to, 15 children have left the institution—12 returned to friends, 2 to learn trades and 1 legally adopted into a worthy family. The present number is therefore 77, viz.: 51 boys and 26 girls.

The two boys, Ernest T. Kretschman and Charles W. Jeffries, in attendance at Muhlenberg College, are acquitting themselves in a very creditable manner, and exhibit continually gratifying reports of deportment and scholarship. Five boys and two girls, having been in regular attendance upon catechetical instruction, and found prepared, were received on Palm Sunday into church membership by Pastor F. A. Kähler.

The progress in study of the children throughout the year, under the efficient care of Miss Emma Kähler, principal, and Misses Anna L. Kretschman and Laura Hoagland, assistants, has been marked, and, with few exceptions, their conduct has been very good. The public examination, held March 13th last, fully proved their attention to study, and was gratifying to the numerous visitors present. The examination, both in English and German, covered the following branches: Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic, Geography, Sacred and Profane History, Incidents in the Life of Luther, and Declamation. The specimens exhibited of Map Drawing and English and German Writing were also very creditable. One lad, who displays considerable talent for classics, is devoting special attention to Latin, Greek and Music, with the expectation of entering upon a collegiate course.

The little folks of the Kindergarten make rapid progress under the judicious instruction they receive, which gives them confidence and a thorough preparation for the work of the main school. In the

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things have gone on quietly and with great regularity under the very superior management of Mrs. Julia Riedt, whose admirable control and abundant labors attest her devotion and fidelity, and deserve special commendation.

One man and three (3) women were admitted to the Asylum during the year, whilst (6) have left or died. One—Mrs. Catherine Schneider—left by her own volition; one—Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts—was removed by order of the Board, and four (4) by death: 1. Abraham Bühler, July 2d, 1883, who died of debility in the seventy-ninth year of his age, having been in the Asylum three years and two months; 2. Mrs. Elizabeth Fry, who died August 22d last, of cancer of the breast, aged seventy-five years and six months, having been an inmate one year and four months; 3. Mrs. Frederika Franz, who, after a residence in the Asylum of twelve years and four months, died February 27th last, at the advanced age of ninety-three years; 4. On March 4th, Mrs. Johanna C. E. De Fieber, died at the mature age of eighty-one years, having been in the Asylum three years and four months. Both these deaths resulted from old age and debility. These recent deaths make the whole number now in the Asylum thirty (30), two less than last year. 7 of the inmates are men and 23 women.

Surely, if no other good had been accomplished through all these years, the thought that the Asylum has given homes to so many—88 in all—who have enjoyed the rest and repose of their evening of life all the more gratifying after having borne the burden and heat of the day, is more than enough to justify the planting of that small seed in 1859, from which so great a tree has risen.

We have had repeated visits during the year from various committees of

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ladies from the city churches for the purpose of preparing clothing for the children; these visits are herein gratefully acknowledged. We have missed the large companies that in previous years visited the Institution from various sections of Eastern Pennsylvania. Instead of this some of the country pastors have had committees appointed in their several congregations in order to collect donations and contributions for the Home; their efforts in many cases have been quite successful, and we commend this course to other churches as an effective way to insure a regular and permanent income.

The Board again considers it its duty to acknowledge very gratefully the gratuitous services rendered by various persons in connection with the work of the Institution in its different departments, particularly of Mrs. Anna Snyder, in the Sewing Room, Misses S. Fanny Smith, Marion Hill and Mary Freas, who give gratuitous music lessons to some of the children, and Dr. J. R. Shellenberger, who continues unremitting in his attendance upon the sick in both the Home and Asylum.

The Board of Trustees takes pleasure in testifying anew to the wise and judicious management of the superintendent, Charles F. Kuhnle, and his estimable wife, under whose careful supervision the affairs of both institutions have been economically and efficiently conducted, so that the Institutions continue to merit the sympathy, confidence and support of the church.

We have not as yet been able to take any steps towards completing the third story of the Asylum. The present endowment and the income from all sources have been barely sufficient to meet the regular ordinary expenses of the Institutions, so that the Trustees have not felt justified in undertaking any new or extensive work. We are in hope that the church will arise to the importance of furnishing the means to increase our accomodations and complete the Asylum building, which, even in its unfinished state, has been a home and shelter to so many of our aged and infirm members.

In closing this Report we beg to commend these Institutions anew to the brethren of the Ministerium, and pray that God, as in times past, may infuse a spirit of liberality among His people that by their gifts and labors the Home and Asylum may be provided, not only during the coming year, but throughout a long future, with ample means to secure their efficiency and render comfortable and happy the inmates, both young and old, who gather within their walls.

We call the attention of the Ministerium to the fact that the term of service of two of the Trustees, viz., Rev. F. A. Kähler and Mr. John C. File has expired.

By order of the Board,

HENRY LEHMAN, *President.* LEWIS L. HOUPT, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE ORPHANS' HOME AND ASYLUM FOR THE AGED AND INFIRM, OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, AT GERMANTOWN.

The interest bearing capital as per last report was as follows:

Donation of Lewis Bremer, Esq., Phil'a, dec'd	$1000 00
" John M. Pleis, Sr., " "	1000 00
" John M. Pleis, Sr., " "	1000 00
" John L. Bremer, Esq., [Mortgage]	5000 00
Bequest of Mrs. Judith Graff, Phil'a, dec'd	200 00
A deposit of [formerly U. S. Bond]	300 00
Note for moneys of which the Home & Asylum receive the interest	2800 00
Bequest of Geo. W. Grove, Phil'a, dec'd	500 00

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Donation from a friend in Penn'a	500 00
Donation from a friend in Phil'a	100 00
Bequest of Christina Schweigert, dec'd	50 00
" Miss Elizabeth Rodman Fisher, dec'd	100 00
" Miss Rebecca Jungkurth, dec'd	100 00
" Jesse George, dec'd	500 00
Donation from a friend	200 00
Bequest of Rachel H. Stewart, dec'd	100 00
" Benjamin G. Barton, Esq., dec'd	300 00
" Mrs. Catherine Nixon, dec'd	500 00
" Chas. M. Eckert, dec'd	400 00
" Anna Idell, dec'd	100 00
" James Monroe, Esq., dec'd	1000 00
" Peter Seeger, Esq., Phil'a, dec'd	5000 00
" John Henry Oestreicher, Esq., dec'd	25 00
" Christian Wuertemberger, Esq., dec'd	25 00
" Margaret Schlotterer, dec'd	25 00
" Lewis D. Beck, Esq., dec'd	2000 00
" Geo. W. Tryon, Esq., dec'd	100 00
Total	$22,925 00
Of this the Bequest of Lewis D. Beck, Esq., was to be used in the building of the New Asylumn, which was so used	2,000 00
Leaving Balance	$20,925 00
Bequest of Abraham Scheidt, Esq., Phil'a, dec'd	1000 00
" Mrs. Catherine Wolf, dec'd, wife of John Wolf, dec'd	200 00
" Mrs. C. Laib, Phil'a, dec'd, $250 less inheritance tax	237 50
" Mrs. Johanna Holdermann, Norristown, Pa., dec'd	50 00
" John Messerschmidt, Reading, Pa., dec'd	300 00
Donation from Luther P. Keller, Esq., Phil'a	100 00
Bequest of John E. Fox, Esq., dec'd, Phil'a, $3000 and interest, less collateral tax	2857 50
Bequest of Wm. Freas, Esq., dec'd, Barren Hill, $100 less collateral tax	95 00
Bequest of Mrs. Elizabeth Schneider, Phil'a' dec'd	100 00
Donation from Mrs Mary A. Colladay, Phil'a	300 00
Life Membership, Mrs. C. McLaughlin	25 00
Bequest of John Sefferth, Esq., Phil'a, dec'd, $500 less inheritance tax	475 00
Award of the Supreme Court in the Gassmann Estate	462 57
Bequest of J. P. Sauner, dec'd, Frackville, Pa., with interest less inheritance tax	191 00
Bequest of E. Jonathan Deininger, dec'd, Reading, Pa.	250 00
Bequest of Isabella D. King, of Frederick County, Md.	579 35
Per Messrs. Wm. L. Schaffer and John Welsh, Trustees of a special fund	415 75
Mrs. Fredericka Manual, Life Membership	100 00
	$28,663 67

During the year was added:

Bequest of Mary A. Warner, dec'd, of Columbus, Ohio, per the Executor, Lewis Heyl, Esq	$1000 00	
Bequest of Mary Bockius, dec'd	150 00	
Final award in the Gassman Estate	328 00	
		$1,478 00
		$30,141 67

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RECEIPTS FROM APRIL 1st, 1883, TO APRIL 8th, 1884.

Collection at Anniversary St. Johannis Church, Phil'a, April 1, 1883		$ 84 57
" " Orphan's Home Meeting of Synod, Trinity Church, Norristown		25 86
Collection at Christmas Festival at the Home		90 66
Churches, Church Organizations, etc		2,806 95
Sunday Schools		1,075 77
Paid to Members of Board, Lady Visitors, Supt. and Treasurer		974 89
Inmates of Home and Asylum, Labor, Sale of Articles		55 78
Little Folks		19 00
Readers of Church Papers—*The Lutheran, Busy Bee, Herold and Zeitschrift, Missionsbote, Pilger, Luth. Kirchenblatt, Church Messenger, Jugendfreund*, etc		98 50
Synodical Appropriation to Pastors Widows' Fund to July 1, 1884		75 00
Associations, Benevolent and other Enterprises		390 00
John L. Bremer, Thanksgiving Gift		250 00
John L. Bremer's Children		30 00
Orphan Box Contents at Home and Asylum		29 97
Interest on Interest-bearing Capital		1,663 18
" " Bequest of C. F. Wernle, deceased, per Trustees of St. Johannis Church, Phila., one year		30 00
Special Donations		105 00
DONATION DAY—		
Supper Tickets	$ 569 29	
Sale of Goods donated	250 14	
Cash Donations	1812 34	
		2,631 77
		$10,438 90

DISBURSEMENTS FROM APRIL 1st, 1883, TO APRIL 8th, 1884.

Special Repairs to Grounds and Buildings	$ 368 51
Macadamizing Road in front of Property	188 36
Painting thoroughly both houses	525 00
Groceries, Provisions, Bread, Meat, Milk, etc	3,398 17
Coal	1,029 75
Salaries of Superintendent and Matron	1,595 00
Wages of Employees and labor on the premises	986 51
Express and Freight	243 82
Clothing, Shoes, Material, Leather	229 90
Water rate	23 20
Gas Bill	216 87
Funeral Expenses	49 50
School Purposes	140 05
Repairs to Buildings, general	717 56
Medicine and Medical Aid	86 95
Sundry House Expenses	477 17
	$10,225 32

Balance, April 1, 1883	$ 575 03
Receipts to April 8, 1884	10,438 90
	$11,013 93
Expended to April 8, 1884	10,225 32
Balance to April 8, 1884	$788 61

Praise the Lord!

Very respectfully,

JOHN C. FILE, *Treasurer*,

421 Market Street, Philad'a, Pa.

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FORM OF A BEQUEST

AS TO PERSONAL ESTATE.

I,.....hereby give and bequeath to the "Orphans' Home and Asylum for the Aged and Infirm of the Evangelical Lutheran Church," at Germantown, Philadelphia, the sum of.....dollars.

AS TO REAL ESTATE.

I,.....hereby give and devise unto the "Orphan's Home and Asylum for the Aged and Infirm of the Evangelical Lutheran Church," at Germantown, Philadelphia, the following described Real Estate to wit..... to hold to the said Institution, their successors and assigns forever absolutely.

On motion this report was adopted and Rev. F. A. Kaehler and Mr. John C. File, whose term of office had expired, were reelected Trustees.

On motion of Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., Synod recommended that a Committee on the Orphan's Home be appointed in all our congregations, and that the congregations report the names of these persons to the Secretary of the Board.

Rev. J. D. Schindel, Secretary, then presented the report of the Trustees of Muhlenberg College as follows:

Report of the Trustees of Muhlenberg College.

The Trustees of Muhlenberg College held their annual meeting June 27, and 28, 1883, and their semi-annual Jan. 17, 1884. At the annual meeting the resignation of Dr. Edgar F. Smith, as professor of Natural and Applied Sciences, was formally presented and accepted. Subsequently a Committee, appointed for that purpose, presented the name of N. Wiley Thomas, Ph.D., as successor to Dr. Smith. The nomination was confirmed by the Board, and Dr. Thomas has occupied the chair during the collegiate year now ending. Mr. Samuel Appold, of Baltimore, Md., very kindly placed into the hands of the President of the College an amount sufficient to purchase, for the future use of this department, the Chemical and Scientific apparatus heretofore belonging to Dr. Smith.

The number of students registered in the Catalogue for 1884 is 110. Of this number 78 are in the Collegiate and 32 in the Academic Department. The graduating class consists of 19, of whom 14 have the ministry in view, one not belonging to our Church. The Academic Department has been in charge of Rev. J. Kohler, and Mr. George T. Ettinger, as assistant. Rev. Kohler, will, however, withdraw from the department at the end of this term having accepted a call to the Lutheran Congregation at Mechanicsburg, Lancaster County, Pa. By action of the Board, the study of the German language is now made obligatory on students during their last year in the Academic Department.

The usual appropriation of $1,000 by the Executive Committee of this Ministerium was duly received during the year and carefully expended in the current expenses of the Institution. It will not be necessary to state that the College will need the continued appropriations of Synod. The "deficiency fund" of $500 for the benefit of the Chair of Natural and Applied Sciences, obtained by President Dr. Sadtler, from friends of the College in Allentown, Reading, and other places, terminates with this year, the pledges having been

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made for three years. What provision will be made for the future is not yet determined. Of the amounts subscribed by members of this Ministerium for the support of the German Professor, enough has been received to cover his salary within about $150. The Professor in accordance with the resolution of the Board reported to Synod last year, has been discharging all the duties of the Proffessorship. But its endowment is apparently at an omnious stand-still.

During the winter sometime, Mr. Jonathan Reichard handed in his resignation as Treasurer of the College. The same was accepted and Rev. R. Hill, was temporarily elected as his successor.

Shortly after the semi-annual meeting of the Board, one of its oldest and most faithful members, father Christian Prets, was calmly and tenderly removed by the hand of death. The place made vacant by his death will have to be filled at this meeting of the Ministerium. The time of the following Trustees expires at the same time: Revs. W. Rath, J. A. Seiss, D.D., B. M. Schmucker, D.D., G. F. Krotel, D.D., E. A. Bauer, S. Laird, and Messrs. C. W. Cooper, Esq., R. E. Wright, Esq., and Henry Weinsheimer.

A brief financial statement may be necessary this year.

LIABILITIES.

Funded Debt:		
First Mortgage		$35,000 00
Second Mortgage		14,800 00
Judgments		23,539 91
		$73,339 91
Floating Debt:		
Salaries due July 1	$723 36	
Interest due "	50 00	
Sundry Bills	215 00	
		988 36
Total		$74,328 27

RESOURCES.

EXCLUSIVE OF PROPERTY, FURNITURE, &C.

Endowments:		
General Endowment		$25,266 50
Lehigh County Professorship		16,116 90
English "		20,000 00
German "		6,613 04
Greek, (Moser-Keck) "		20,000 00
Packer Bequest		28,395 00
		$116,391 44
Other Amounts due:		
For Tuition, Interest, &c	$1,030 00	
" in "deficiency fund,"	125 00	
" German Prof. Sal. Sub's	150 00	
Balance on hand	7 05	
		$1,312 05
Total		$117,703 49

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. SCHINDEL, *Secretary of the Board.*

ALLENTOWN, Pa., June 4, 1884.

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Rev. B. Sadtler, D.D., President of College then presented the cause of this institution to the Synod.

On motion the Executive Committee was instructed to make the usual appropriation of $1,000 towards the support of College.

On motion the members who subscribed hitherto towards the support of the German Professor were requested to renew their subscriptions.

On motion Revs. F. J. F. Schantz, G. A. Hinterleitner and S. A. Ziegenfuss, were appointed the Committee to solicit these subscriptions; and Mr. J. Born, was, at his own request, excused from further service in this matter.

On motion the following persons whose term of office had expired were reelected trustees:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. W. Rath.	C. W. Cooper, Esq.
" J. A. Seiss, D.D.	R. E. Wright, Esq.
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	Mr. H. Weinsheimer.
" E. A. Bauer.	
" S. Laird.	
" G. F. Krotel.	

Mr. J. Fegley, was elected in the place of Mr. C. Pretz, deceased.

The committee on subscriptions for the new Seminary reported they had received pledges to the amount of $7568.

At a subsequent session, the list of those who had not yet subscribed was given into the hands of a Committee of the Alumni of the Seminary, consisting of Revs. D. H. Geissinger, W. A. Schaeffer and T. E. Schmauk, with the instructions to continue the work of soliciting subscriptions. This committee reported additional subscrptions to the amount of $420, making the total amount subscribed at this meeting of Synod $7,988.

On motion these subscriptions were placed in the hands of the Treasurer.

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., presented the report of the Committee on the

PRESIDENT'S ACCOUNT.

Your Committee have the honor to report that they have performed the duty entrusted to their care, and that they found the accounts of the President in a correct condition.

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D.
" B. Sadtler, D.D.
" W. Rath.

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On motion the report was adopted.

On motion time was granted Rev. J. H. Turner, President of Lutherville Female Seminary, to present the cause of Female Education.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz, presented that part of the report of the Executive Committee referring to the Missions in Potter and Tioga Counties, and on motion of Rev. J. Fry, D.D., the whole subject was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

The recommendations of the Executive Committee in the matter of making collections for the Home Mission Work were postponed for future action.

In the matter of the revision of the Parochial Reports, items 1 and 2 were adopted.

The further consideration of the report of the Executive Committee was postponed for the purpose of holding a Ministerial Session.

Synod was closed with prayer by Rev. J. K. Plitt.

SIXTH SESSION.

MONDAY, June 9, 8:30 A.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. Enoch Smith.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The report of the Executive Committee was taken up for further consideration.

The item referring to the revision of the Parochial Reports under the heading of "Contributions" was discussed, but action on it was postponed.

On motion of Rev. J. Fry, D.D., all former action of Synod with reference to the anniversary addresses was rescinded, and the whole matter given to the Executive Committee to arrange as to the subjects, language, speakers, &c., according to circumstances.

The motion to proceed to the election of members of the Executive Committee led to a very general discussion on the subject of a greater distribution of the work of the Synod.

On motion the resolution of the Second Conference presented by Rev. R. Hill, and referred to the Committee on the revision of Constitution of Synod, was recalled.

On motion all the resolutions referred to Synod by the Second Conference were taken up for consideration.

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Rev. J. F. Ohl, of the Committee on the Proceedings of the Conferences, read the resolutions; and on motion they were referred to the Conferences for consideration. (See Conference Proceedings.)

Rev. J. Fry, D.D., presented a new form for the statement of contributions.

On motion of Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., the form was amended so as to show in regular order the Congregational, Synodical, General Council and General Contributions.

The form as amended was adopted.

The election of the Executive Committee was ordered, and the attention of the Conferences was directed to the question as to the enlargement of this Committee.

Revs. J. J. Cressman, H. N. Fegley, and Mr. H. Lehman, were appointed tellers.

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., Archivarius of the Ministerium presented his annual report.

Report of Archivarius.

To the Reverend the President of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States:

Reverend and Dear Sir,

I have the honor to report to you, that to the collection of documents and prints, entrusted to my care, additions were made during the past Synodical year. These additions we owe in part to the liberality of members of this Ministerium; in part to the resolution passed by this reverend body, that all papers handed to committees during the meeting of Synod, should by the respective chairman be handed to the Secretaries and through them to me.

Experiences, made by me during last year, move me to suggest to you the following:

That all documents, letters, reports, etc., etc., handed by the Rev., the President, to committees, should, with the resolutions or suggestions of the committee, be handed back to the Secretaries of the Synod.

That the chairman of each committee should be held responsible for the safe-keeping and delivery of all such documents.

That the Secretaries should, as soon as possible, deliver all those documents to the Archivarius.

Perhaps you will pardon me for adding a remark as to the value of Church Records, Minute Books, etc., for the future history of our Church. Such books ought to be properly and correctly kept, and the entries made from time to time, and they ought to be well preserved against dampness and abuse.

It may be not quite out of place to remind the brethren and the delegates of the great historical value of annals or chronicles of each individual congregation or charges. Such annals, judiciously and carefully carried on, will be of the highest value for the historian of the future.

Most Respectfully yours,

W. J. Mann, *Archivarius of the Ministerium.*

Reading, June 5, 1883.

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This report was accepted and Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., reelected Archivarius.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., presented the following action in this connection, which was adopted: That the congregations connected with this Ministerium be invited to place their older records and papers of historical value in the Archives of the Ministerium for secure preservation. That the Ministerium engages to provide a secure place for their preservation, to give access to them to the persons authorized by the pastor or Church Council.

Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., also offered the following recommendation which was adopted: That Synod recommend to the congregations to secure a copy of the Halle Reports either in English or in German, for the use of the congregations.

On motion Synod adjourned, to meet in Ministerial Session at 2 P.M. Prayer by Rev M. C. Horine.

SEVENTH SESSION.

MONDAY, June 9, 3 P.M.

Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. D. M. Henkel, D.D.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The tellers on the election of the Executive Committee reported that the following had been elected. Revs. J. J. Kuendig, B. M. Schmucker, D.D., F. J. F. Schantz, B. Sadtler, D.D., J. Fry, D.D., Messrs. A. W. Pfatteiger, A. Bendel, T. H. Diehl, L. H. Leiss, W. A. Henry.

Rev. J. Fry, D.D., declining to serve on the committee, the Secretary was insructed to cast the ballot for Rev. T. T. Iaeger, he having received the next highest number of votes.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz presented

The Report of Committee on Emmaus Orphans House.

The Committee appointed by the Synod to visit Emmaus Orphans' House, Middletown, Dauphin County, Pa., would report that the Committee had intended to visit the institution, according to previous customs, in the latter part of May. The members had been notified by the Chairman to meet at Middletown on Tuesday, May 20th, 1884, when the Chairman of the Committee was informed that in view of the fact that the building occupied by the tutor and Orphans was in charge of painters, and in such condition that the visit of the Committee would not be as satisfactory as a later day. The notices sent to the members of the Committee were recalled and thus no visit made,

Respectfully Submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

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This report was adopted and the following visitors were reappointed: Revs. F. J. F. Schantz, H. N. Fegley, G. S. Seaman, J. G. Pfuhl, C. F. Schaeffer, Esq., and Mr. A. Reinoehl was substituted for Mr. John R. Baker.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz presented

The Report of the Delegate to Pittsburg Synod.

Your delegate, appointed by the President of the Ministerium, attended the meeting of the Pittsburg Synod, held at Erie, Pa., in August, 1883. He was very cordially received and accorded a full opportunity to present the claims of the Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Pa., and the purpose to erect new buildings for Seminary uses. The Synod's interest in the project was evidenced by the appointment of a committee, to whom the work of raising funds was referred. More than one-half of the present members of the Pittsburg Synod have been students of the Seminary in Philadelphia. The annual meeting of the Synod was marked by a proper observance of the great Luther year, and the impression received was that the Pittsburg Synod is strong in its adherence to pure doctrine, earnest in church work, and hopeful as to the future of our Zion.

Respectfully Submitted,

F. J. F. SCHANTZ.

This report was adopted.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., presented.

The Report of Committee on the President's Report.

1. The President has given fitting expression to the feelings which should animate those who bear the honored name of Luther in this year in which the anniversary of his birth has awakened so wide an interest. By the adoption of the Report the Synod will give its hearty approval to its statements on this subject.

2. The Synod receives with deep regret the announcement that so unusually large a number of ministers, members of this body, have been called away from earth within the past year. While the Lord's work calls for more laborers than ever, it has pleased God to remove five from their toils. We rejoice with them that they have entered into the joy of their Lord, but we recognize the call to increased dilligence in training men for his service, and increased earnestness on the part of those now engaged in it. We sorrow with those who have been called to mourn, and we implore for them the divine consolations.

3. With reference to the communication of Rev. J. C. Schmidt, who has for forty years been engaged in the work of the ministry and has ever enjoyed the esteem and confidence of his brethren; we would express our sympathy with him if the infirmity of his increasing years and ill health should prevent his longer regular pastoral care of a congregation. But we find no occasion for any change in his relation to this Synod, nor would a proper regard to good order allow us to consent, without known cause, to a cessation of such relation.

4. We would recommend that the Synod approve the action of the President in giving permission for the examination and ordination of Mr. Horak, and that a Certificate of Ordination be granted him in regular form.

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5. We recommend that the action of the Officers of the Ministerium in the sale of certain real estate, Nos. 3206 and 3208 Market Street, Philadelphia, and in executing and delivering a deed for the same be and is hereby approved and confirmed.

6. With reference to the note of Dr. C. W. Schaeffer, to which the President refers as in his posession as a part of the President's funds, your Committee has learned that it represents a sum of money placed in the hands of Dr. Schaeffer to be used in the preparation of young men for the work of the ministry in the Lutheran Church, without any directions as to whether the principal or only the interest should be used, and without any reference to the Ministerium of Pennsylvania or its President in connection with the administration of the trust. Dr. Schaeffer having decided to invest the sum and use only the interest, desired also to have a connection established between the trust which he held and this Ministerium, as well as to secure our acknowledgement of his correct administration of the trust. As he was for many years President of the Ministerium he entered his annual expenditure of the interest of this fund in the account of the President, and gave this note as evidence of his holding the fund. In this account will be found the annual acknowledgement of the receipt and expenditure of the interest. During the past several years the interest has been regularly paid to the Treasurer of the Ministerium. The money thus held by Dr. Schaeffer is styled "The Jungkurth Fund."

7. The Ministerium at its last meeting directed that Mr. Ehinger, be duly cited to appear before the Ministerium at this time and make answer to charges made against him by the District Conference to which he belonged. This citation was not duly made and the charges still stand against him. Mr. Ehinger, makes application through the President for admission to the Evangelical Synod of North America, he having accepted charge of a Congregation in Nebraska, in connection with that body. As in the present position of the case it is impossible to decide upon the charges and at the same time impossible to dismiss him or grant him a certificate of unchallenged good standing, your Committee propose that the name of Mr. Ehinger be omitted from the list of ministers connected with this Ministerium.

8. The arrangements for securing contributions for the Home Mission Work of the General Council, the importance of which work the President so forcibly urges, have been agreed upon by the Executive Committee and have been laid before the Synod in their report. We would recommend that the Secretaries publish in the Church Papers the plan proposed for securing contributions for this purpose, should they be approved by the Synod, and that the portion of this report having reference to this subject, be published in connection therewith.

9. The admonition and appeal of the President with reference to the serious evil of large pastorate's within this Synod, are so wise, well considered and earnest that they claim the thoughtful consideration of all. We would recommend that the attention of the District Conferences be directed to this portion of the Report, and that they be asked to take it up for consideration at their next meetings.

This report was considered item by item. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. Item 3 was postponed until the Conference Proceedings would be reported, when it was adopted. Items 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 were adopted.

Revs. E. Greenwald, D.D., Chairman, and G. F. Spieker, Secretary, of the Examining Committee, presented the following applicants for admission into the Ministerium: Revs. G. D. Bernheim, D.D., Rudolph Gerlach, Bernhard Pick, Ph.D., C. Kuehn.

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The President informed these brethren that the Ministerium had decided to receive them and that, after subscribing the Constitution, they would be members of the Ministerium.

Synod adjourned to hold a Ministerial Session. Prayer by Rev. S. Laird.

EIGHTH SESSION.

TUESDAY, June 10, 9 A.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. G. A. Hinterleitner.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., presented the following:

***Resolved*, That in case of any difficulty or failure in completing the purchase of the site approved by the Ministerium for the new Seminary, the Board of Directors be and are hereby empowered to select and purchase any other site for said institution which the Board may deem eligible as to location and price.**

This resolution was adopted.

Rev. E. Greenwald, D.D., presented the following additional applicants for admission into the Ministerium: Rev. S. G. Finckel and R. M. Zimmerman. The President received them in due form.

Rev. G. F. Spieker, then presented the candidates for ordination; and the President informed them that they would be ordained in the evening, and admonished them to prepare themselves for this solemn act, with prayer and meditation.

The names of the candidates are, George C. Gardner, Thomas M. Angstadt, James F. Baetes, Alexander J. D. Haupt, Clayton L. Holloway, Joseph W. Mayne, Oscar D. Miller, Frank H. Uhrich, Samuel Wenrich, August F. Schaeffer, Phaon P. Wisser, Ernest Hartman, Frederick J. C. McCready, Theophile N. Ander.

Rev. H. Grahn presented

The Report of the German Committee of the Philadelphia City Missions.

According to a resolution of Synod of May 23, 1883, which places the City Missions of Philadelphia under the care of a separate German and English Committee, the pastors and delegates of the self-supporting German congregations met in the German Lutheran Zion's Church on June 25, 8 P.M., and organized by electing Rev. F. Wischan, President, and Mr. Chas. Klenk, Secretary.

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The Committee consists of Revs. Dr. W. J. Mann, Dr. A. Spaeth, H. Grahn, F. Wischan, F. W. Weiskotten, F. P. Bender and J. E. Nidecker, and Messrs. J. C. File, of Zion's, I. Stiefel, of St. Paul's, D. Rohlfing, of Emanuel's, Ch. Klenk, of St. John's and J. C. Genter, of St. Michaels, as representatives of their respective Congregations.

The Congregations now under the care of this Committee are, St. Peter's, West Philadelphia; Immanuel's, Frankford; St. Thomas, Germantown, and Trinity, Rising Sun.

During last year our missionary in West Philadelphia, the Rev. and dear father Welden, after a faithful service of more than 50 years in the Vineyard of the Lord, found himself compelled, on account of bodily infirmities, to resign his charge; Rev. E. H. Pohle became his successor. St. Thomas' in Germantown, having been resigned by the Rev. C. G. Fischer, obtained the services of Rev. J. H. Wendel.

From the different congregations, the following items may prove of interest.

1. Emanuel's Church, Frankford, Rev. M. Schimpf, pastor; the Congregation owns a Church and Parsonage, numbers 110 members, has a Sunday School, with 16 teachers and 100 children. Rev. Schimpf also preached, for a time, in a Chapel at North Penn Village, belonging to St. John's Church, (Dr. Spaeth's), the Congregration was assisted with $200.

2. St. Thomas', Germantown, Rev. J. H. R. Wendel, the Congregation numbers 116 members, with a Sunday School of 10 teachers and 70 children. At Easter 8 persons were confirmed; the new missionary feels encouraged and greatly thankful for the free gift of $500 from a lady, by which the remainder of an oppressive debt could be paid off. The mission received $250.

3. St. Peter's, Myrtle street, West Philadelphia, Rev. E. H. Pohle, pastor. This mission consists of 61 members, with a Sunday School of 16 teachers and 111 scholars, the charge groans under a debt of $3,600, but has taken a fresh start, encouraged by more favorable outward circumstances, and a considerable increase of German population in West Philadelphia. The assistance amounted to $350

4. Trinity, Rising Sun, Rev. A. Linsz, pastor. There are 120 members, and a Sunday School of 10 teachers and 102 scholars; 19 persons were added by confirmation. The Congregation, during the year, completed their Church building, at an expense of $800; this sum has been secured through voluntary contributions, a testimony alike honorable to pastor and people, with whom we may well rejoice. The Congregation received $350 from our funds.

Your Committee has not only endeavored to cultivate the field thus committed to its care, but also to increase its usefulness, in which it has partly succeeded, through the praiseworthy preparatory exertions of Rev. Dr. Spaeth, and his Congregation, as well as the German General Sunday School Association, of Philadelphia, through their timely foresight some years ago, a Chapel for Sunday School purposes was erected at 28th and Dauphin streets, in the so-called North Penn Village, for children of members of St. John's Church, occasionally service was held for the edification and gathering of the outside German element in the neighborhood, until the necessity became apparent to continue these services regularly, which was done by the Rev. Mr. Schimpf, and later by Mr. O. Hartman, one of our students, under the supervision of Rev. Dr. Spaeth.

In the same manner the "Christ Chapel," at 26th and Jefferson streets, was built and consecrated, in this only Sunday School services were held by St. John's Congregation. Inasmuch as our membership has considerably increased at those places your Committee entertains the hope to soon gather them into a new mission.

Although we are not in the position, in looking back upon the past year, to point out with entire satisfaction, a striking improvement and progress under

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the new administration, the blessing of the Lord has nevertheless sufficiently crowned our efforts, so as to cause us most humbly to thank Him and to urge in relying on Him, faithfully to continue our work.

H. GRAHN, *President.*

This report was adopted.

Rev. E. E. Sibole presented

The Annual Report of the English Committee on Philadelphia City Missions.

As constituted by the Ministerium at its last annual Convention at Norristown your Committee held its first quarterly meeting on the last Monday in June, 1883. Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., was elected Chairman, Rev. E. E. Sibole, Secretary, and W. H. Zinser, Treasurer.

The missions under its charge are, Christ Church, at Chestnut Hill; St. Peter's, Reed street, below Ninth; Church of the Advent, Fifth street, above Cumberland; St. Paul's, Twenty-second street, above Columbia avenue, and Church of the Epiphany, Camden, N. J.

Christ Church, Rev. C. J. Hirzel, pastor.

Communicant membership, 101; accessions during the year, 8; average attendance, morning service, 51, evening service, 28; scholars in Sunday School, 80, an increase of 5; Church indebtedness, $1,450; decrease of Church debt during the year, $50; appropriation by City Mission Committee, $300.

Although the growth of this mission, from the peculiar nature of the surroundings, is slow, the devotion and cooperation of its pastor and people indicate an element of strength that gives promise of better things to come.

St. Peter's, Rev. E. R. Cassady, pastor.

Communicant membership, 130; accessions during the year, 53; average attendance, morning service, 75, evening service, 50; scholars in Sunday School, 255, an increase of 22; church lot indebtedness, $2,800; appropriation by City Mission Committee, $300.

This congregation, with the manifest blessing of God upon its pastor and people indicated by the large number of accessions to its membership during the year, and with a church building free of debt and the earnest effort it is making to cancel its church lot indebtedness, would seem, for all the labor and discouragement of the past, to be entering upon the reward of a good and faithful servant of the Lord.

Church of the Advent, Rev. J. F. C. Fluck, pastor.

Communicant membership, 191; accessions during the year, 40; average attendance, morning service, 129, evening service, 101; scholars in Sunday School, 269, an increase of 87; Church indebtedness, $7,600; decrease of Church debt since January, 1884, $278; appropriation by City Mission Committee, $300.

The no small measure of success under the blessing of God, attending the labors of pastor and people, is of great encouragement to the friends of this mission.

St. Paul's, Rev. R. M. Zimmerman, pastor.

Communicant membership, as per statement of Secretary, 100; scholars in Sunday School, 232; Church indebtedness, $6,600; appropriation by City Mission Committee, $300.

Through the resignation of Rev. W. K. Frick, this congregation was without the services of a regular pastor, from September last until the first day of January, when Rev. R. M. Zimmerman, became its pastor.

This must account, in some measure, for the decrease of membership as

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compared with the last parochial report, and for the fact that no accessions were made to the congregation during the year.

Church of the Epiphany, Rev. C. K. Binder, pastor.

Communicant membership, 68; accessions during the year, 3; average attendance, morning service, 49; evening service, 38; scholars in Sunday School 130; Church debt, none; Church property none; appropriation by City Mission Committee, $300.

The christian zeal and cooperation of the pastor and people of this mission are manifest, in that since January last, and in addition to the increased defrayment of current expenses, about six hundred dollars have been collected for the Church lot fund, and the sum of nine hundred and twenty-five dollars subscribed by four of its members to the same fund, making, in all, about $1,650, raised for this one object within six months. Although composed of persons mostly poor in this world's goods, it is the testimony of the pastor that all show a disposition to do what little they can, on which account he has great pleasure in their service.

In concluding this report it must be said of all these missions that their indebtedness and need of better equipment in the way of Church building, etc., are greatly to the hindrance of their growth and prosperity.

Until a larger view is taken by the Church at large of these needs, and a more generous support given to this city mission work better results cannot reasonably be expected.

E. R. SIBOLE, *Secretary of Committee.*

This report was adopted.

The Secretaries now reported

Unfinished Business.

1. Charter for Congregations.—The Committee appointed to prepare a form of Charter for Congregations present the accompanying document, which they believe meets all the requirements in the case and which they recommend for adoption by the Ministerium.

Rev. Samuel Laird.
" W. J. Mann, D.D.
" H. Grahn.
" W. H. Staake, Esq.
Hon. D. M. Fox.
Mr. J. Rommel.

Reading, Pa., June 7, 1884.

Form of Charter.

BE IT KNOWN, that the subscribers, with their associates . . . . . having formed a Congregation in the . . . . . for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God according to the faith, doctrines, discipline and usages of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and being desirous of becoming incorporated agreeably to the provisions

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of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations," approved the twenty-ninth day of April, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, do hereby declare, set forth and certify, that the following are the purposes, objects, articles and conditions of their said association, for and upon which they desire to be incorporated.

I. The name of the Corporation shall be . . . . . .

II. The said Corporation is formed for the purpose of the worship of Almighty God according to the faith, doctrines, discipline and usages of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. It receives and adheres to the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments, as the revealed Word of God and the only rule of faith and life, and to the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, especially the unaltered Augsburg Confession and Luther's Small Catechism, as a correct, and faithful exposition of the Divine Word, to which rule and confessions all instructions in the Church, the schools and family shall be conformed, and by which all questions of doctrine shall be decided; and with which all books of worship and instruction in the congregation and schools shall accord.

III. The location of the said Corporation, and place wherein its business is to be transacted is the . . . . . .

IV. The Corporatien is to have perpetual existence.

V. The names and residences of the subscribers are as follows:

The Corporation has no capital-stock. The membership thereof shall be composed of the subscribers and their associates, and of such other persons as may from time to time be admitted, in such manner and upon such requirements as may be prescribed by the By-Laws. The said Corporation shall nevertheless, have power to exclude, expel or suspend such members, for such just and legal causes, and in such legal manner as may be ordained and directed by the By-Laws.

VI. The oversight and management of the said Corporation shall be vested in a Church Council consisting of the pastor or pastors, and not less than . . . . nor more than . . . . lay members of the Corporation, and in all cases a . . . . majority of the said Council must be laymen.

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The members thereof, other than the pastor or pastors, when first elected shall be divided into three classes, to serve respectively one, two and three years, and thereafter members elected shall serve three years. Annual elections shall be held at the house of worship of the Corporation, to elect from among the adult male members of the Corporation, persons to fill the place of retiring members. The said election shall take place at the time and in the manner to be provided by the By-Laws. Members elected shall hold their office until their successors are legally elected and duly installed, subject nevertheless to the power of amotion from said office by the said Corporation for any legal cause, and upon such proper and legal notice, and hearing as may be prescribed by the By-Laws.

The names and residences of the persons constituting the first Church Council and the time during which they respectively hold office are:

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	TERM OF OFFICE.

The Corporation shall have power to hold, purchase and transfer such real and personal property as its purposes may require, not exceeding the amount limited by law, and all the property thereof shall be taken, and held to enure subject to the control and disposition of the lay members of this Corporation. The Constitution and Regulations of this Corporation shall be deemed its By-Laws and shall be taken to be its law, subordinate to the statute aforesaid, this Charter, the Constitution and the Laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the Constitution of the United States. They shall be altered and amended as provided for by one of the By-Laws themselves,and shall prescribe the powers and functions of the Council herein mentioned, and those to be thereafter elected; the time and place of meeting of the Council and of this Corporation, both for business and religious purposes; the number of members who shall constitute a quorum at the meetings of the Corporation and of the Council; the qualifications and manner of electing members; the manner of selecting officers, and the powers and duties of such officials, and all other the concerns and internal management of the said Corporation.

Alterations may be made in this Charter, only by the consent of seven-eighths of the legal voters of the Church, at an election held in public upon the call of at least two-thirds of the Church Council, public

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notice of such proposed alterations having been given four weeks before, from the pulpit, and the said alterations being approved and allowed by the proper Court; but it is absolutely prohibited to make any alterations which would change the name of the Church from being an Evangelical Lutheran Corporation, or altering in any way whatever the doctrinal basis of the Congregation which has been incorporated.

Witness our hands and seals . . . . this day of . . . . . Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and eighty . .

{L. S.}

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{L. S.}

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, }
COUNTY OF } SS.

Before me the subscriber, Recorder of Deeds of the County of . . . . personally appeared . . . . . three of the subscribers to the above and foregoing certificate of incorporation of . . . . . and in due form of law acknowledged the same to be their act and deed.

Witness my hand and official seal this . . day of . . . Anno Domini

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, No.
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OF TERM No.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the said Court on . . . . . 188 , at 10 A.M., under the act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto for the Charter of an intended Corporation to be called . . . . . the character and object whereof is - - - - - - - - - - - - and for these purposes to have, possess, and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements

- - - - - - - - *Solicitor.*

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

No. OF TERM No.

(Insert printed copy of advertisement).

- - - - - - - - - being duly - - - - - - - - says that the above advertisement has been published for three weeks in - - - - - - and - - - - - - two newspapers of general circulation printed in the County of - - - . - and has also been published for three weeks in (legal publications required by local statutes and rules of Court) - - - - - - and further that three of the subscribers to the said Charter herewith presented, viz:

are citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

- - - - - and subscribed
before me this - - - - -
day of - - - - - A.D.

(To be endorsed on Charter.)

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, No. OF OF TERM 18 No.

And now this - - - - - day of - - - - - A.D., 188 , the within Charter and Certificate of Incorporation having been presented to me, a Law Judge of said County, accompanied by due proof of publication of the notice of this application as required by the Act of Assembly and rule of this Court in such case made and provided, I certify that I have examined and perused the said writing, and have found the same to be in proper form and within the purposes named in the first class specified in Section Second of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, and the same appearing to be lawful and not injurious to the community, I do hereby on motion of - - - - - - - - Esq., on behalf of the petitioner's order and direct that the said Charter of - - - - - - - - - - aforesaid be and the same is hereby approved and that upon the recording of the same and of this order, the subscribers thereto and their associates shall be a Corporation by the name of - - - - - - - - - - for the purposes and upon the terms therein stated.

{L. S.}

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Recorded in the office for Recording of Deeds in and for the County of - - - in - - - Book - - - page - - - - - -

Witness my hand and seal of office this - - - - - - day of - - Anno Domini, 188 .

- - - - - - - - *Recorder of Deeds.*

☞The Charter should be engrossed upon a single sheet of paper or parchment without interlineations.
The name should be distinct from that of any existing corporation.
The advertisements must be in the English language.

This report was accepted and the proposed form of Charter ordered to be printed in the Minutes for consideration during the year.

2. Constitution for Congregations.—Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., presented the following:

At the last annual Convention, after the presentation and consideration o the "report of the Committee on the proceedings of Conferences," it pleased Synod to appoint the undersigned, as a Committee "on the Constitution for Congregations, to report at the next (this) meeting of Synod." "It was further resolved that this report be transmitted, as soon as prepared, to the Conferences for consideration."

Although the language of this resolution does not specify what your Committee were expected to do, it appeared during the consideration of the action taken by the Conferences on the Constitution for Congregations, that it was the desire of many members of Synod that the wishes of the Second Conference, viz: "that the entire document be re-written by some practical hand; that whilst the essential contents are retained the form and style may be changed to meet the requirements;" should be carried out by your Committee.

An examination of the reports of the Conferences shows, that the First Conference "reports progress," and also adopted the resolution of the Third Conference. The Second Conference adopted the resolution, the substance of which is given above. The Third Conference reports the resolution reported a year ago, viz; "Resolved, That we recommend to Synod that Sec. 3, Art. II, of the Constitution for Congregations, etc., should be so changed in specifying the duties of members that only such duties be specified the violation of which would subject the offender to the discipline of the Church, and to this end these duties should be specified in a clearer and more definite manner." The Fourth Conference also entrusted the matter to a Committee, which, failing to report, was discharged. The Fifth Conference reports that this Constitution was heartily approved by the Conference at its Spring meeting in April, 1882.

It would appear from this that three Conferences are agreed in desiring greater "clearness and preciseness,"," especially in the paragraphs "on the duties of Church members," and a change in the form and style of the Constitution.

Instead of attempting to re-write this Constitution, as many doubtless expected your Committee to do, we have come to the following conclusions, which are herewith respectfully submitted.

As the General Council, in which our own Synod has been regularly represented by some of our most competent and trustworthy ministers and laymen, has devoted years to the consideration of this Constitution for Congregations, and has not adopted a single paragraph or sentence without careful discussion, it would hardly be decorous for your Committee to re-write,

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and for this venerable Synod to adopt, and to recommend to its Congregations a Constitution which, as a part of the General Council, it helped to prepare and to send down to the Congregations.

Nor would it be proper for us to send such a revised Constitution to the General Council, and ask it to take up again a work which has already required so many years. Should we, as a Synod, do so, and should the General Council agree to take up the Constitution as revised by us, it would be the resumption of a work that might go on for years, and when completed some other Synod might feel constrained to undertake a revision, and to ask for its consideration.

It appears to us that the Constitution recommended by the General Council might be looked upon as setting forth the general principles which should be recognized in every Lutheran Congregational Constitution, with the distinct understanding that every Congregation has perfect liberty to adopt it with such changes as it may deem necessary, and as may be approved by the Synod.

If however this Synod is earnestly desirous that certain changes should be made in this Constitution, it seems to your Committee that the proper course would be, first, that every Conference, Congregation, and pastor should lay before Synod a clear and precise statement of the changes desired; secondly, that the Synod as such, should carefully consider all the proposed amendments; and thirdly, lay all those which the Synod approves be for the General Council, with the respectful request that they be considered by that body and, if possible, incorporated in the Constitution recommended by it.

The other Synods of the General Council might be moved to take similar action, or the General Council might call upon them to present their wishes, and with all these propositions before it, the General Council might undertake and accomplish a revision which would be generally satisfactory, and before the expiration of many years, give our Congregations a Constitution, sound in doctrine, thoroughly practical, and clear and precise in all its statements.

G. F. Krotel.
W. J. Mann.
H. E. Jacobs.

This report was adopted.

3. Constitution for Ministerium and Conferences.—Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the revised Constitution, By-laws and Rules of Order of the Ministerium and the Conferences presented by the Committee to make said revision be printed in the Minutes with the amendments proposed, the whole to be taken up for discussion and adoption at the next regular meeting of the Ministerium according to Section 148 of the present Constitution.

This was adopted.

4. Office of Oversight. — Rev. D. H. Geissinger called up his amendment offered a year ago, and the same was read by the Secretary. The President decided that disposition had been made of it at the last meeting of Synod when it was referred to the Committee on the revision of the Constitution.

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5. Pastors' Widows and Orphan's Fund.—Rev. J. Fry, D.D., reported as follows:

At the last meeting of Synod the Officers were instructed to "examine in the past action of the Ministerium, and what has been done with reference to the persons to whom the revenue of the Pastors' Widows and Orphans' Fund may be paid, and to propose action on the subject."

To ascertain this, an examination of the Treasurer's accounts for the past twenty-five years was made. From these accounts it appears that thirteen widows of deceased pastors have been aided from this fund within this time, the continuance of aid ranging from two to thirteen years. On four occasions aid was given from this fund to the Orphan's Home for the support of children of deceased pastors. It is evident therefore the aid given to pastors was exceptional, whilst that given to the families of deceased pastors has been the rule.

In searching these accounts of the Treasurers of this body it has also been ascertained that no entry or record of any such fund occurred earlier than 1860, when the first contributions to it appear, and no appropriation from this fund was made until in 1863. Whilst a resolution was offered in Synod in 1850 that "the proceeds of the German Hymn Book be funded and the interest appropriated to the relief of Ministers' and Ministers Widows and Orphans," the Treasurer's accounts show the proceeds from the sale of the Hymn Book passed regularly every year into the *Synodical* Treasury for general purposes until the year 1865, from which time they were credited to the Pastors' Fund. No evidence or entry of any *funding* of these revenues appears in the Treasurer's books, excepting a loan of $500, made by the Treasurer in 1871 to St. Thomas' German Congregation at Germantown, for which a note was given which was paid off a month ago. Several private loans appear to have been made from this fund also, which have been repaid, but no permanent investments were ever made.

In view of these facts, and also of our conviction that it is better to use current revenues as our needs demand, than to fund them for use in the future when the needs may be less and the revenues greater than now, we propose the following action to cover the whole matter:

Resolved, That the distribution of money in the Pastors' Widows and Orphan's fund be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee, with power to decide both as to recipients and amounts to be paid, as the cases arise, and on their order the Treasurer shall make payment.

Resolved, That the revenues of the German Hymn Book, like those of the Catechisms, be placed in the General Benevolence fund of the Ministerium, so as to be subject to the order of the Executive Committee for the above mentioned purpose and that any surplus may be appropriated by them to other benevolent ends.

Resolved, That all previous action of the Ministerium in these matters, in conflict with this action, be and is hereby rescinded.

Jos. A. Seiss.
J. Fry.
M. C. Horine.
Wm. Wackernagel.

This report was taken up for consideration, and Resolution 1 was adopted with the addition "that the names of the recipients be omitted from their report."

Resolution 2 was discussed till the hour of adjournment had arrived. (Resolutions 2 and 3 were adopted in the Ninth Session, so was the report, as a whole).

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On motion, the unfinished report of the Committee on the new Seminary was made the first order of business for the afternoon session.

Synod was closed with prayer by Rev. J. H. Fritz.

NINTH SESSION.

TUESDAY, June 10, 2 P.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. E. A. Bauer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The unfinished report of the Committee on the new Seminary being the first order of business, the report, as a whole, was adopted.

On motion Synod requested the Committee to make a nomination for the Agent of the Seminary.

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., Chairman of the Committee, nominated Rev. R. Hill, of Allentown.

On motion of Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., Rev. R. Hill was unanimously elected Agent of the Seminary.

On motion all other arrangements with reference to duties and salary were left to the Board of Directors, with power to make the appointment in case Rev. R. Hill would not accept.

Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D., having received instruction to inform Rev. R. Hill of his unanimous election, introduced the reverend gentleman to the Synod. He gratefully acknowledged the honor and confidence bestowed upon him by Synod, and promised to take the appointment into serious consideration.

Election of Directors of Theological Seminary.

The report of the Directors was adopted as a whole, and Synod proceeded to the election of five clerical and five lay directors.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., raised the question: whether a vacancy had not been caused by the suspension of one of the Directors from Church membership.

On motion of Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D., Synod adopted the following resolution

***Resolved*, That no minister or layman under discipline, or sentence of suspension shall hold any office of the Ministerum, or serve as a delegate, director or trustee under its appointment, so long as he is under discipline or suspension; and every committee, board, delegation, or body of appointees constituted by this Ministerium shall see to the enforcement of this rule.**

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On motion the English Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the following persons:

DIRECTORS OF THE SEMINARY.

Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D.	Mr. C. D. Norton.
" J. Kohler.	" R. B. Miller.
" P. Pfatteicher.	" J. C. File.
" H. Grahn.	Prof. S. P. Sadtler, Ph.D.
" D. H. Geissinger.	Mr. A. C. Albrecht.

On motion Mr. J. B. Zimmele was elected for the unexpired term of Mr. L. L. Houpt.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.—CONTINUED.

The Secretaries presented Resolution 2, of the Committee on the Pastors' Widows and Orphans Funds and the same was adopted. Resolution 3 was adopted. The report as a whole was adopted. See page 55.

6. *Preaching Privileges.*—Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., presented the report of the Committee on Preaching Privileges as follows:

At the last session of the Synod held at Norristown, one year ago, the following resolution was presented:

***Resolved*, That our Synod does not find it in accordance with its authorized privileges that its members should preach in churches of other denominations during the Convention of Synod, and that it earnestly disapproves of such action.**

(The expression "authorized privileges," found in the English Minutes, is evidently a typographical error, for which should be substituted "*recognized* or *acknowledged principles.*)

This resolution was referred to your Committee and has received their earnest consideration, the result of which is herewith respectfully submitted.

The "principles" bearing upon this subject, and "recognized" or "acknowledged" by this Synod, are those set forth by the General Council, with which it is connected. At the Convention of the latter, in the city of Pittsburg, in the year 1868, the following, bearing upon this subject, was unanimously adopted:

"Lutheran ministers may properly preach wherever there is an opening in the pulpit of other churches, unless the circumstances imply, or seem to imply, a fellowship with error or schism, or a restriction on the unreserved expression of the whole Counsel of God."

The General Council subsequently adopted the Akron Rule, and the Galesburg Declaration, which led to an earnest and prolonged discussion of the subject of Pulpit and Altar Fellowship, and to the preparation of the well-known theses of the late Dr. C. P. Krauth.

The latter were taken up for discussion in several meetings of the General Council, with the understanding that they were not to be voted upon or to be adopted as laws, but that their consideration should serve an educational purpose, and gradually bring about a greater unity of sentiment and practice. The General Council has evidently proceeded upon the principle, that the

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continued study of the Word of God and of the Confessions of our Church would, in due season, enable our pastors and congregations to settle all matters of practice satisfactorily.

Inasmuch then, as these principles of the General Council are recognized and acknowledged by this Synod also, we recommend that the matter spoken of in the resolution referred to us be left entirely to the conscientious judgment of our pastors.

G. F. Krotel.
H. E. Jacobs.
G. A. Hinterleitner.

This report was adopted.

Rev. J. W. Early presented

The Report of the Auditing Committee.

The Committee having examined the Treasurer's Accounts and compared them with the accompanying vouchers find the same correct, leaving in his hands a total balance of fourteen thousand two hundred and thirty-six dollars and twenty-four cents. ($14,236.24).

The Committee are constrained to express their recognition of the systematic, lucid and admirable arrangement and condition of the accounts of the Treasurer. During the term of office of the last incumbent the work of conforming the investments to all the requirements of the law has been brought, as near as possible, to completion; the supervision of investments and financial affairs by the Finance Committee has been enlarged, and the whole administration of the office has been so accurate, so well guarded and so satisfactory to those having business with it, that it is due, both to the Treasurer and to the Ministerium, that this recognition of it be made.

Rev. Reuben Hill.
" J. K. Plitt.
" J. W. Early.
" J. F. Ohl.
Mr. Henry Lehman.

Reading, June 7, 1884.

This report was adopted.

Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., presented

The Report of the Delegates to the General Council.

The Sixteenth Convention of the General Council was held in St. Peter's Church, New York City, under the pastoral care of Dr. E. F. Moldenke, October 18–22, 1883. The number of Synods remains unaltered; of those in regular connection the Texas and Holston Synods were unrepresented by reason of the distance and expense, and of those with privilege of debate the Norwegian Augustana. The number of delegates present was 44 clerical and 29 lay, of whom 16 clerical and 12 lay represented this Ministerium.

The Convention was opened with the Morning Service and Communion; the sermon delivered by the President has been printed for the benefit of the German Home Mission Work. Two morning sessions were devoted to doctrinal discussion, the subject of which was Luther's 95 Theses against Indulgences.

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The old officers were re-elected, the President, Dr. A. Spaeth, being one of the delegates from this body.

In his annual report the President directed the attention of the Council to a communication requesting the Council to take steps and order measures to insure the organization of the women of the church in societies for the advancement of the cause of missions. On this subject the Council took the following action:

"The mission work is the work of the whole Church. The agency which is charged with this work is the whole Church. In this work all the members of the Church have part. The divinely appointed organization which should have charge of this work, is first the congregation, then in our own sphere of labor the Synod, as the union of congregations, then the General Council as the union of Synods. This recognized combination and organization of agencies is that to which, in the Lutheran Church in America, the superintendency and direction of the Missionary work is rightfully committed. The principle, which has thus far been recognized by the General Council, is that the Church itself should have the management of the work with which the Lord has charged it.

Within the individual congregation such measures, for the support and enlargement of the work of missions, may be adopted as the congregation may deem best. Such arrangements should be under the supervision of the congregation, be responsible to it, be alterable by it, and action through such agencies is the action of the congregation itself.

After speaking of the Luther Anniversary and the occasions it furnished for rejoicing, he deplored the want of union among Lutherans in these words:

"At the same time, in the midst of our rejoicing, we can not forget the sad fact that our Lutheran Church, in this western world, where such a great and responsible work is committed to her, still presents a melancholy picture of a house divided against itself. And how can we suppress the wish that this jubilee year may not pass away without an earnest effort to bring about a better understanding, if not an organic union, between such Lutherans as claim to be one in the unreserved acceptance of the Confessions of the Church, and have declared their approval of the doctrinal basis of the General Council."

The action of the Council upon this subject was the following:

"The suggestion of the President that it is fitting that this year should not pass away without an effort to bring into closer union in our General Council those who are one in the unreserved acceptance of the Confessions of our Church, and who have declared their approval of the doctrinal basis of the General Council, or who may hereafter declare it, merits earnest consideration. We would propose that such bodies be and hereby are invited to consider whether it is not both possible and eminently to be desired that they should enter into full union with the General Council by the adoption of its Constitution and the sending of delegates to its meetings. We would also propose that the President and Corresponding Secretaries of the Council be a Committee to confer with any such bodies who may open correspondence with them."

The President closed his report with an expression of the sorrow of the Church at the loss sustained by the death of Dr. Charles Porterfield Krauth, which led to the following action by the Council:

"We would express the hope that the writings of Dr. Krauth, his contributions to the history of our Church and her Confessions, his elucidations of her doctrines and cultus, may be gathered together and published, so that, though his living presence be removed from us, and his voice be no longer heard in our councils, he, though dead, may yet speak. Such collection of his writings would be the noblest tribute to his memory, the most enduring monument of his usefulness and an occasion for grateful rejoicing to the Church."

The Committee for Foreign Missions presented a full report of the work and progress of the year, and of the state of the mission. The statistics for the year ending June 30, 1883, are:

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Missionaries sent out and at work		3
" at home on sick leave		1
Wives of Missionaries in the field		2
Native Ordained Pastors		2
Unordained Evangelists and Catechists		2
Inspector of Schools		1
Teachers, Rajahmundry, male 9, female 2		11
" Other Stations		29
Scholars, Rajahmundry—		
Mission School, Primary and Secondary	120	
" " High School	30	
" " Normal School	20	
" " Caste Girls' School	60	
		230
Scholars in Village Schools—		
District, Samulcotta	112	
" Velpur	130	
" Jagurupad	177	
" Tallapudi	25	
		444
Boys in Boarding House, July, 1883		24
Girls in " " " "		18
Married Boarders, families," "		4
Baptized, during 1880		194
" " 1881		170
" January to June, 1882		121
" July to December, 1882		141
" January to June, 1883		203
Confirmed, January—June, 1883, Rajahmundry		3
Communed, Rajahmundry		65
" Velpur D	100	
" Jagurupad	33	
" Tallapudi	69	
		202

The receipts from contributions for Foreign Missions were $7,129.28, from Missions-Bote, $106.40, total receipts, $7,235.68; the expenditures, including a deficit, from last year, of $487,11, were $7,210.50. For the Missions-Bote, received $2,497.49; balance on hand, from preceeding year, $1,055.49; total in treasury, $3,552.98; expended, $2,313.10; paid to mission treasury, $106.40; total payments; $2,419.50, balance on hand for the use of the mission treasury, $1,113,48, of which $1,000 was paid to the mission treasury soon after the meeting. The Foreign Missionary was not so prosperous. The receipts were $336.57, and the expenditures for printing, paper and postage, $561.48, a deficit of $225.91, although nothing whatever was expended for any other purpose than the direct cost of the paper.

The Committee asked the attention of the pastors, congregations and members of the churches in the Council who use the English language, to the small measure of encouragement thus far given to the *Foreign Missionary*, the English paper published by the Committee. They recommend that the General Council urge on them a more general and earnest effort to diffuse information and awaken deeper interest in behalf of our mission.

In answer to this recommendation, the following action was taken:

Resolved, That the attention of our pastors and churches, using the English language, is hereby directed to the English paper, the *Foreign Missionary*, and that they are earnestly exhorted to labor for its general introduction into their families and Sunday Schools.

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The results of the operations of the *Committees for Home Missions* show the wisdom of the arrangements made the year before. The interest in the work and the contributions for it have greatly increased. The amount received for Home Missions as reported in 1881 was $1,964.23. The amount received last year by the English and German Committees was $9,798.42.

The English Home Mission Committee reported that the whole amount received was $5,050.32, expended, $4,324.57, of which $671.50 was on the principal, and $94.16 interest of a debt transferred to them by the former Committee of which $1.000 still remained unpaid. There was a balance on hand of $725.95.

The missions under the care of the Committee were Trinity, Rev. C. Koerner; and Wicker Park, Rev. F. C. C. Kaehler, Chicago, Ill.; Minneapolis, St. Paul and Red Wing, Minnesota, Rev. G. H. Trabert; and Toledo, Ohio, Rev. Dr. S. L. Harkey.

Of the amount expended $225.66 was for printing, the remainder entirely for the missionaries, except the amount paid on the debt.

The German Home Mission Committee directed its attention chiefly to procuring candidates for the ministry to fill vacant places. To this end students had been invited from Europe and provision made here for the completion of their studies. Under the direction of the Council arrangements were made with Pastor Paulsen, of Kropp, Schleswig, to open an Institution for the training of young men to be sent over to this country. This training school, "Ebenezer," was opened May 1, 1882, under the care of Director Edw. Gerhold, and had at the date of report 31 students, all of whom were in training for the General Council. The first graduates are expected in 1885.

Through the agency of the Committee there were furnished during the year, three pastors to the Canada Synod, one to the Michigan, one to the Pittsburg, four to the Ministerium of New York, and two to that of Pennsylvania. The Committee had under its care nine students in America, three at Hermansburg besides those at Kropp.

The only Home Missionary for whose support any money was expended was Rev. Mr. Mertz, as travelling missionary in Texas, where three new congregations were organized by him and an important work of exploration done.

The total receipts of the Committee were $4,747.90, including a balance from last year of $126.42; expenditures, $4,710.20; balance, $37.70. The chief expenditures were salary of Travelling Missionary in Texas, $800, one half of which was received from the Texas Synod; expenses of students in this country, $1,552.65; text books for the same, $81.14; travelling expenses of candidates from Europe to their places of settlement, $783.10; for the Seminary at Kropp, $1,296.50.

The monthly paper of the Committee, *Siloah*, has 8,016 subscribers, its receipts, $1,007.61; expenses, $858.09; surplus, $150.

The Swedish Home Mission Committee of the Council, is that of the Swedish Augustana Synod Its labors have been of very great extent and importance. It has now under its care missions in California, Oregon, Washington Territory, Idaho, Utah, Colerado, on the Red River of the North, and in very many places in the States where it has regular Conferences, as in Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, and not only in the West but also in the Eastern States. It has also one missionary laboring among the Finns at Astoria, Oregon.

The Immigrant Mission Committee presented the report of its missionaries at Castle Garden, of its Treasurer and of the Immigrant's House Association. The receipts were for mission, $851.77; balance on hand, $236.77; for poor immigrants, $750.00; balance on hand, $22.60; expenditures for missionaries Berkemeier and Lilia, $1,000; on debt, $69,00; aid to mission students, $64.60: for poor immigrants, $712.50.

After the presentation of all the Home Mission reports, the Council took the following action:

WHEREAS, The Annual Reports of the English, German, and Swedish Committees on Home Missions, have been this year of most encouraging and satis-

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factory character, we suggest that the General Council express its sentiments thereon in the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That we lift our hearts in devout gratitude to our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Head of the Church, for the manifest tokens of His grace and blessings on our Mission work.

2. *Resolved*, That we gratefully recognize the judicious wisdom, earnestness and zeal which have been shown by those to whom this work was entrusted, whether members of these Committees or Missionaries in the field, through whose efforts such gratifying results have been attained.

3. *Resolved*, That we call upon our Congregations to be of strong heart concerning the future of our Church in this country, to lift up their eyes and see the greatness of the work yet remaining to be done, and to cease not in their prayers and enlarged contributions and efforts to gather in and save this harvest to our Lord and His Church.

The *Committee* appointed *to prepare a Collection of Hymns for Infant Classes* proposed as a title for the book: "The Little Children's Hymn Book, with Tunes, for use in Infant Schools and Families." They adopted as general principles:

1. That the book be made for use with the smallest children in the family, as well as in the Sunday School; and that to this end it contain a selection of nursery songs, lullabies and other songs of a religious character for home use, together with short morning, evening and table prayers.
2. That an Order of Service for the opening and closing of an Infant Department be inserted.
3. That in the selection of hymns, the order of the Church year be observed.
4. That an effort be made to secure good translations of suitable hymns from the German and Scandinavian.
5. That the number of hymns be not over one hundred and twenty-five.
6. That the book be a separate work.

The MS., of the book, so far as completed, was submitted for examination. The plan was approved and the Committee was instructed to complete the book and submit it to the Church Book Committee, and when approved by them to publish it.

The Church Book Committee proposed a change in the Opening Service of the German Sunday School Book, to the effect that the opening Antiphons of the of the Vesper Service in the Church Book be used instead of the opening sentence, and that the Hymn follow instead of preceeding the Psalm. It was adopted, but no action was taken in the matter for the English Sunday School Book. It was ordered that in both books, the opening service, the rubric before the ten commandments be changed so as to allow the use by the Sunday School on the successive Sundays of each month of the parts of Luther's Catechism.

Arrangements were reported for the more diligent prosecution of the preparation of Orders for Ministerial Acts than heretofore.

The next convention of the General Council will open in Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Monroe, Michigan, Rev. J. Raible, pastor, Thursday, October 16, 1884.

This report was adopted.

The election of Delegates to the General Council being in order, the following tellers were appointed to conduct the election for Primarii: Revs. F. P. Bender, C. E. Houpt, and Mr. W. J. Kratz.

The following were appointed tellers to conduct the election for Alternates: Revs. H. H. Bruning, J. P. Isenschmidt, J. F. Wampole, and Mr. W. H. Heller.

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At subsequent sessions the respective tellers reported those elected, and the Secretaries were instructed to find out to how many additional delegates the Ministerium is entitled at this stage, and to take the additional delegates from the Alternates and add them to the Primarii. This was accordingly done and the following are the delegates:

Clerical.	Lay.
Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D. *Ex-officio.*	
Rev. J. Fry, D.D.	Mr. Wm. H. Staake, Esq.
" J. A. Seiss, D.D.	" A. W. Potteiger.
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	" H. Lehman.
" Prof. A. Spaeth, D.D.	" A. Bendel.
" " H. E. Jacobs, D.D.	" P. A. Keller.
" J. J. Kuendig.	" T. H. Diehl.
" F. Wischan.	" C. D. Norton.
" Prof. W. J. Mann, D.D.	" J. A. Geissenhainer.
" S. Laird.	" H. Wells.
" F. J. F. Schantz.	" W. Hauff.
" R. Hill.	" G. W. Boas.
" G. A. Hinterleitner.	" Prof. A. Rambo.
" H. Grahn.	" A. J. D. Wedemeyer.
" B. W. Schmauk.	" C. P. Opp.
" M. C. Horine.	" Jno. B. Zimmele.
" F. W. Weiskotten.	" J. C. File.
	" W. G. Heller.

Alternates.

Rev. C. J. Cooper.	Mr. L. H. Leiss.
" E. Smith.	" J. F. Miller.
" F. A. Kähler.	" P. B. Breinig, M.D.
" J. R. Groff.	" J. F. Long.
" D. H. Geissinger.	" C. H. Schaeffer, Esq.
" J. D. Schindel.	" C. Vandersmith.
" W. Wackernagel, D.D.	" G. H. Moller.
" E. A. Bauer.	" J. J. Mohr.
" J. B. Rath.	" B. F. Saylor.
" E. E. Sibole.	" A. G. Saeger.
" D. M. Henkel, D.D.	" Isaac Fegley
" G. A. Bruegel.	" S. Huber.
" J. W. Early.	" C. Kopitsch.
" P. Pfatteicher.	" Paul Santer.
" B. Sadtler, D.D.	

On motion of Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., it was

***Resolved*, That the Sub-committee of the Church Book Committee, composed of three English and three German members, have their necessary expenses of travel paid by the Treasurer of this Ministerium out of the profits of the Church Book on the order of the Chairman of the Committee.**

Synod was closed with prayer by Rev. Z. H. Gable.

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TENTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 8:30 P.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. D. M. Martens.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Rev. J. F. Ohl presented

The Report of the Committee on the Minutes of the Conferences.

I. MEETINGS.

In accordance with the Constitution of Synod, two meetings were held by each Conference during the past year which were very generally attended by the members thereof.

II. SYSTEMATIC BENIFICENCE.

In the First, Second and Fifth Conferences, new and more equitable apportionments of Moneys for Synodical purposes (not diminishing but increasing the aggregate) were reported and adopted as requested by the Ministerium at its last convention. These apportionment reports, in the case of the first two Conferences named, were ordered to be put into the hands of the Committee on appointment to be appointed at this meeting of the Synod.

III. RESOLUTIONS FOR A MORE GENERAL DIVISION OF SYNODICAL WORK.

The following resolutions were received and approved, and are referred to the Synod by the Second Conference :

Resolved, That if a clergyman be a member of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, or of the Board of Trustees of Muhlenberg College, or of the Executive Committee of the Ministerium, he shall not at the same time be eligible to membership in either of the other two bodies.

Resolved, That each Conference at its next meeting and annually thereafter shall elect a committee of three clergymen, to be styled the Home Missiom Committee of Conference, to act under the direction of Conference; and so soon as the Exective Committee is officially informed that any particular Conference has complied with this resolution, they shall deliver to the management of the Committee so chosen by said Conference, all the Missions located within its boundries, and place subject to the order of said Committee, a just proportion of the funds of Synod set apart for the Home Mission cause.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee shall apportion the number of delegates to be elected by the Ministerium among the several Conferences, in the regular ratio of representation, and that at each Conference at its meeting next preceding the Synod shall nominate from its own membership double the number of ministers and laymen thus apportioned to it, and from the persons so nominated, Synod shall choose in the proper ratio from each Conference its delegation to the convention of the General Council.

IV. CATECHISM (GREEN).

The First, Third and Fourth Conferences, took no action in the matter of the Catechism.

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The Second Conference reports the following as adopted with reference to the (Green) Catechism:

1. That the Ministerium confine itself to the publication of *one* Catechism, viz., one in the German and one in the English language.

2. That the text and arrangement be that of the "Kirchen-Buch" for the German, and of the "Church Book" for the English with certain changes which the Conference has submitted in writing.

The Second Conference also offers the following:

1. That a Committee be appointed to revise the Catechism of Drs. Mann and Krotel, to be the Synod's explanation of its Catechism for pastors and teachers.

2. That copies of the Mann and Krotel Catechism be bound with this Catechism under one cover.

The Fifth Conference also submits certain changes in writing.

V. ST. JOHN'S ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH COLUMBIA, PA.

This congregation having been reported to the Fourth Conference as being burdened with a heavy debt and the pastor being in such health as threatens to interrupt his important and self-sacrificing labors, the Conference by resolution requests Synod to take the needs of the congregation into serious consideration and devise some plan to aid in relieving it of the burden of its indebtedness.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Committee recommends for action:

1. That a Synodical Apportionment Committee be appointed, and that the Apportionment Reports of the Conferences be at once placed in their hands.

2. That a committee be appointed to collate the changes in the catechisms proposed by the Conferences; and that this committee present the results of their labors, with such other changes and recommendations as they may have to make, at the meeting of Synod next year, for action.

3. That, as recommended, a committee be appointed by Synod to revise the "Mann and Krotel Catechism".

With reference to St. John's English Lutheran Church, Columbia, Pa., your Committee has no recommendations to make.

J. F. Ohl, Sec'y 1st Conference.
J. M. Anspach, Eng. Sec'y 2d Con
L. Lindenstruth, Ger. Sec'y 2d Con
I. N. S. Erb, Sec'y 3d Conference
H. N. Fegley, " 4th "
J. E. Ochsenford, Sec'y 5th "

This report was taken up for consideration.

The first recommendation was adopted.

The second was also adopted with the amendment that the Committee

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have power to have their proposed changes printed and a copy sent to every member of Synod one month before the next meeting.

The third recommendation was adopted.

The President appointed the Commtttee on the Synod's Catechism :

Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D.
" H. E. Jacobs, D.D.

Synod appointed Revs. W. J. Mann, D.D., and G. F. Krotel, D.D., to revise the so-called "Mann and Krotel Catechism."

The changes submitted by the Conferences were referred to these Committees, and the members of Synod were requested to forward to them, without delay, any wishes or suggestions in regard to these Catechisms.

St. John's English Congregation, of Columbia, Synod referred to the are of the Executive Committee.

The report, as a whole, was then adopted.

Rev. Enoch Smith presented the Report of the Committee on

Parochial Reports.

Your Committee respectfully submits that our pastors have all, with a few exceptions, complied with the rule of Synod which requires them to present an annual Parochial Report.

Your Committee recommend that all pastors be earnestly urged to prepare *accurate and complete* Parochial Reports in time to hand them in at the opening of Synod.

Rev. B. W. Schmauk
" Enoch Smith.
" G. A. Bruegel.
" H. H. Bruning.
Mr. H. S. Cassel.

This report was adopted.

Rev. J. Kohler, on behalf of the Committee on Ministerial Business, announced that they had nothing to report.

Rev. F. A. Kaehler presented the report of the Committee on

Woman's Work in the Church.

Report of the Committee appointed to gather information as to the extent to which woman's work in the service of the Church has been organized in our congregations in accordance with the Synod's recommendation at Pottstown, in 1881.

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Your Committee would respectfully report that they have made inquiry of a large majority of the pastors of the Synod, and learn that in about one-half of the charges something has been done to organize woman's work. In several it is proposed to introduce such organizations at an early date. In many of the rural congregations it was thought by the pastors that the plan would not be feasible. In almost every instance where the work has been begun, it has met with great favor. It is widely varied in its objects including the fields of Congregational, Missionary, Dorcas and Orphans' Home interests.

In view of the acknowledged importance and benefit of such organized effort your Committee would respectfully recommend

1. That the attention of the pastors and congregations be again called to this subject.

2. That a Committee be appointed to furnish at the next annual meeting of this Ministerium suggestions for the efficient development of this work in the congregations of our Synod.

F. A. Kœhler,
E. Smith.
Z. H. Gable.
J. R. Groff.
Committee.

On motion this report was adopted and the same Committee reappointed.

Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., presented his

Report of the Delegate to the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of New York.

The undersigned attended the annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium, of New York, held in St. Mark's German Evangelical Lutheran Church, in the city of New York, one year ago, and received a most cordial welcome, and the time-honored right of speaking and voting upon all questions, accorded to the delegates of these two oldest Synods in the United States.

The meeting was well attended, and the time of the Synod was fully occupied with questions of great importance. Your delegate had an opportunity to present the claims of our Theological Seminary, and to state what had been done to supply the vacant professorship. He also made known the resolution of our Synod, to make an earnest effort to erect new buildings for the use of the Theological Seminary, a work in which the active cooperation of the Synods interested in that institution is earnestly solicited.

He is happy to add that the New York Ministerium manifested its continued interest in the Seminary by resolving to signalize the Luther Memorial year by a united and energetic effort to complete the endowment of the German Professorship of the New York Ministerium.

The Rev. J. H. Baden, President of the Ministerium, was appointed delegate to this meeting of our Synod, and has already been welcomed. The next meeting of the New York Ministerium will be held in the German Lutheran Church, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., beginning on Thursday, June 19th, 1884.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. F. Krotel.

This report was adopted.

On motion Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., was appointed the delegate to the next Convention of the New York Ministerium.

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W. H. Staake, Esq., presented

The Report of the Committee on Publications.

The Committee on Publication would respectfully report:

The Committee organized immediately after the meeting of the Ministerium at Norristown, by electing

Rev. F. Wischan, *President.*
" W. K. Frick, *Secretary.*
Mr. John C. File, *Treasurer.*

The Committee's work embraced that of three Committees of the year previous, viz:

1. The Committee on the Wollenweber Hymn Book.
2. " " " " Publication House.
3. " " " " Publication Contracts.

Rev. C. G. Fischer, was re-engaged as the agent of the Committee, with the provision that his compensation in connection with the German Hymn Book should be as heretofore, viz: at the rate of $100 per year and that the Committee would promise an additional sum for additional labor in connection with the other books belonging to the Ministerium.

The Committee lately secured from Brobst, Diehl & Co., the plates of the Benner (Sumneytown) German Catechism, which plates are now deposited in the vaults of Sherman & Co, Philadelphia., for the use of the Committee.

Brobst, Diehl & Co., having advised the Committee, that there were a sufficient number of copies of this Catechism printed for the demands of the present year, the Committee has not printed any additional copies of the Catechism.

Brobst, Diehl & Co., have waived the payment of their claim of $100, against the Ministerium for the plates of the Catechism.

The "Green" Catechism and the "Mann—Krotel" Catechism in English.

These Catechisms are still published by Rev. G. W. Frederick, under the contracts which he claims to possess, but which he declined to exhibit to the appointee of this Committee Rev. W. K. Frick.

Rev. Frederick based his declination, on the ground that he had exhibited these contracts to a former Committee and to the Treasurer of the Ministerium, and on the Committee inquiring upon what terms he would dispose of the plates of these Catechisms, he replied: "that the Committee cannot buy any book that he has."

From January 1883, to January 1884, the Ministerium received $31.25 premiums on 2,500 copies of the so-called Green Catechism, and about $15.09 on 1,509 copies of the Mann—Krotel Catechism, (English.)

The Mann—Krotel Catechism, (German.)

Mr. J. Kohler, who publishes this Catechism takes the position, that if the Synod desires to take it from him, it must also take the "Endlich Choralbuch," which he also publishes.

The English Church Book.

Rev. G. W. Frederick claims to have the right to publish this book. Heretofore the Ministerium received 12 3-10 cents on each book sold. Your Committee has arranged for the printing of 3,100 copies of the book, on which the Ministerium will receive 16 3-10 cents, instead of the former premium. This premium is paid by Sherman & Co. Rev. Frederick purchases the sheets 500

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at a time from Sherman & Co., and does his own binding. No arrangement has been made with Rev. Frederick, by your Committee. Mr. Frederick, insists, that he is standing upon his legal rights in this matter and that he is acting for the protection of his own interests. As the General Council at its last convention in New York appointed a special Committee to examine into the position of this contract, and the respective rights of the Council and Publisher, your Committee awaits the report of this special Committee.

Mrs. Dr. Spaeth pays 10 cents per copy on the Church Book with music. This is paid "every other year" in consideration of being allowed to print the Church Book, and it is entirely a voluntary payment.

In February last, Rev. W. K. Frick, the Secretary of the Committee, owing to his removal to the West, presented his resignation as a member of the Committee which was accepted, and Mr. Wm. H. Staake was elected Secretary in his stead.

Of the 3,100 copies of the English Church Book printed by order of this Committee, 500 copies have been sold, 2,600 copies remaining on hand.

The Wollenweber (German) Hymn Book.

Mr. File, the Treasurer presents the following report:

Sales—32 mo.			
2589 small edition			$1,053 25
1311 sheets			412 98
127 fine-small			148 28
1162 old edition			347 10
Sales—16 mo.			$1,961 61
43 fine		$ 78 75	
1171 plain		961 60	
220 sheets		162 80	
			$1,203 15
Packing, &c			18 40
			3,183 16
Expended.			
Printing 2100 16 mo	$274 83		
" 5950 32 "	470 00		
		$744 83	
Binding.			
2500 @ (14) 32 mo	$350 00		
1603 @ (17) 16 "	272 51		
100 @ (55) 16 "	55 00		
		$677 51	
Folding and Collating		73 29	
Salary 1 1-6 year of agent		115 00	
			$1,610 63
On hand.			1,572 39

32 mo sheets.

2,300	Last report.	
5,950		
8,250		

Sold.

Sheets	1,311	
Bound	2,500	3,811
Sheets on hand		4,439

Old edition 32 mo on hand 1,162 last report all sold.

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Bound.

Last Report. 1	2	3	4
642	232	116	94
2,500 added	44 sold	74 sold	9 sold
3,142			
2,589 sold			
553	188	42	85 on hand

Stock on hand.

16 mo last report.

Sheets	1,366	Sold.	
Printed	2,100	Sheets	220
	3,466	Bound	1,703
	1,923		1,923
Sheets on hand	1,543		

Bound last report.

Plain. 1	2	3	4
47	117	0	25
1,603 bound	0	100	0
1,650	117	100	25
Sold 1,171	18	23	2
479	99	77	23 on hand.

Application was made to your Committee by Severinghaus & Co., of Chicago, for permission to use the hymns of the German Hymn Book in a book to be published by them, with an order of service—the intention was to give this book a new title. Your Committee referred the matter to Mr. Staake, as Solicitor, who addressed a formal notice to Severinghaus & Co., stating that the Committee declined to give permission to use the German Hymn Book; that the book is the property of the Ministerium and that any use of the book in violation of the rights of the Ministerium, would be at their peril, as the Ministerium would tolerate no violation of its acquired rights in this book. No reply has been received to this notice, and your Committee has no further information on the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. STAAKE, *Secretary.*

This report was adopted.

An election was ordered for members of the Publication Committee with the following result:

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

REV. J. B. RATH. *Ex-officio.*

REV. F. WISCHAN. MR. W. H. STAAKE.

" S. LAIRD. " J. C. FILE.

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Memoirs of Deceased Ministers.

Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., on behalf of Rev. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., read a memoir on Rev. G. F. Miller; Rev. J. W. Early, on Rev. R. Wagner; Rev. C. E. Houpt, on Rev. W. H. Laubenstein; Rev. J. W. Hassler, on Rev. A. Berg.

Synod was closed with prayer by Rev. E. E. Sibole.

ELEVENTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 2 A.M.

Synod was opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. G. F. Gardner.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Rev. F. A. Kähler, presented a request from the Alumni Association of the Theological Seminary to the effect that Synod instruct the Board of Directors to abolish the dormitory and boarding departments in the Seminary, and to make arrangements to place Dr. Krauth's library in the Seminary Building.

The President of the Board, Rev. J. A. Seiss, D.D, stated that the action of the Board was in the line of this request, and on motion this request was commended to the careful consideration of the Board.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz, presented

The Report of the Committee on Systematic Benificence.

Your Committee would respectfully report that the whole amount raised for benevolent objects during the past Synodical year, as indicated by reports from pastoral charges, is $18,831.07. The amount for the previous year was $18,100.40

Table No. 2 exhibits the apportionments of last year (1883—1884), the amounts secured in the respective charges to date and also the apportionments for the Synodical year 1884—1885.

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The funds needed for the new Synodical year will be, for

Synodical Purposes	$3,000 00
Education	5,500 00
Theological Seminary	1,283 70
Muhlenberg College	1,000 00
Home Missions (Pennsylvania Synod) } City Missions (Philadelphia) }	6,000 00
Foreign Missions	2,500 00
	$19,283 70

Contributions for German and English Home Missions of General Council are not included in the above. Respectfully Submitted.

THE COMMITTEE.

This report was adopted and the Committee was authorized to secure from the members of Synod such matters as were necessary to complete the report.

The following Committee was appointed:

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE COMMITTEE.

REV. F. J. F. SCHANTZ.	REV. S. A. ZIEGENFUSS.
" B. F. APPLE.	" H. B. STRODACH.
" E. E. SIBOLE.	" H. N. FEGLEY.
" J. J. CRESSMAN.	" A. P. PFLUEGER.

Rev. F. J. F. Schantz, of the Committee on the

GERMAN PROFESSORSHIP

reported that sufficient subscriptions had been received for the ensuing year.

Rev. J. F. Wampole presented the report of the Committee on

Excuses.

The Committee on Excuses respectfully report that the following brethren, having sent written excuses for their absence at this meeting, and the reasons given having been considered and found satisfactory to the Committee, are recommended to the Synod to be excused, viz: Revs. H. S. Miller, H. I. Schmidt, D.D., F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D., W. L. Rieb, C. L. Erle, G. A. Struntz, W. H. Rickert, J. Hillpot, B. H. Hunt, W. Gerhard, J. H. Hantz, C. Koerner, D. R. Reed, Joshua Jaeger, and F. A. C. Kahler.

Also a large number of clerical and lay delegates, having cause to be absent during part of the meeting of Synod, or compelled, for various reasons, to return home before the close of Synod, have been excused by the Committee.

Repectfully Submitted,

F. BERKEMEYER.
D. M. MARTENS.
J. F. WAMPOLE.
O. LEOPOLD.
DANIEL SANNER.
B. E. KRAMLICH.

This report was adopted.

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Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., offered the following resolution:

***Resolved*, That this Synod rejoices to see the Rev. H. C. Schmidt, Missionary at Rajahmundry, India, in our midst after an absence of 13 years in the missionary field. We thank the Lord that He has preserved him through so many years of arduous labor and has restored his health to its former strength and vigor. We pray that the abundant blessing of the Lord may accompany his testimony in our midst and recommend him and his work most heartily to our congregations.**

This resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion Synod instructed the Secretaries to have the usual number of Minutes printed.

On motion Synod granted Dr. Morgan, the stenographer, permission to make copies of the reports and documents.

Mr. T. H. Diehl, on behalf of the Church Council of St. John's Congregation, Allentown, invited the Ministerium to meet in their church next year.

This invitation was accepted.

On motion the thanks of Synod were returned to the pastors and congregations, of Reading, for their most hospitable entertainment; also to Prof. C. Wonnberger, for the excellent music furnished under his able direction, and to the members of the press for their attendance and reports.

The President appointed the following

Standing Committees.

Examining Committee.—Revs. J. Fry, D.D., in place of Rev. E. Greenwald, D.D., who desired to be excused from further service, G. A. Hinterleitner, A. Martin, B. Sadtler, D.D., S. Laird, G. F. Spieker, J. W. Hassler.

Finance Committee.—Messrs. C. D. Colladay, R. B. Miller and W. H. Staake, Esq.

On Memoirs.—First Conference, Revs. A. Spaeth, D.D., B. M. Schmucker, D.D., J. K. Plitt; Second Conference, Revs. B. Sadtler, D.D., J. D. Schindel. P. Pfatteicher; Third Conference, Revs. L. Groh, J. J. Kuendig, M. C. Horine; Fourth Conference, J. W. Hassler, E. Greenwald, D.D., J. A. Darmstaetter; Fifth Conference, Revs. J. F. Wampole, J. R. Groff, J. W. Early.

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Anniversary and Religious Services.

On Thursday evening, June 5th, a Foreign Missionary meeting was held in St. John's Church, which was addressed by Rev. H. C. Schmidt, Missionary in India.

On Friday evening, June 6th, a Home Mission meeting was held in Trinity Church, when Rev. J. Rechsteiner spoke in German and Rev. J. L. Sibole in English.

On Saturday evening, June 7th, a meeting was held in the interest of the Orphans' Home and Asylum, Germantown, when addresses were made by Revs. F. W. Weiskotten, D. H. Geissinger, and Messrs. J. C. File and Henry Lehman.

On Sunday morning, June 8th, Rev. A. Spaeth, D.D., preached, and in the evening Rev. H. B. Strodach.

On Monday evening, June 9th, a meeting was held, in St. James' Church, in the interest of education, when Rev. J. E. Nidecker spoke in German and Rev. O. P. Smith in English.

Ordination Services.

On Tuesday evening, June 10th, the Ordination Services were held, in St. John's Church. The sermon was preached by Rev. F. Walz, in German, from 2 Cor. 5: 19–21. Fourteen young men were solemnly ordained to the Gospel Ministry by the President, Rev. G. F. Krotel, D.D., assisted by the English and German Secretaries.

Final Adjournment.

There being no further business to transact, the minutes of the last session were read and approved.

Synod then adjourned at 3:45 P.M., and was closed in the manner prescribed by the Liturgy.

ATTEST: C. J. COOPER,
English Secretary.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, June 24, 1884.

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II. MINISTERIAL BUSINESS.

FIRST SESSION.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FRIDAY, June 6, 4:30 P. M.

The First Session of the Ministerium was opened in due form.

Rev. G. F. Spieker, Secretary of the Examining Committee presented the following report:

Report of Examining Committee.

Your Committee has, as required by the Constitution, held a colloquium with the following ministers:

Rev. W. A. C. Mueller, of the Pittsburg Synod; Rev. C. Kuehn, of the New York Ministerium; Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D.D., of the North Carolina Synod; Rev. J. P. Deck, of the Holston Synod; Rev. Ferd. Rudolph Gerlach, of Prussia; Rev. B. Pick, Ph.D., of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Samuel G. Finckel, of the Maryland Synod; Rev. R. M. Zimmerman, from the Pittsburg Synod.

The above were, by resolution, recommended for reception into the Ministerium.

The Committee also presents the names of a number of candidates examined in the various branches, as prescribed by Synod, namely:

George Christian Gardner, of Allentown, Pa.; Thomas M. Angstadt, of Lobachsville, Berks County, Pa.; James Frederick Beates, of Conewago, Lancaster County, Pa.; Alexander James Derbyshire Haupt, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Clayton Ludwig Holloway, of Amity, Berks County, Pa.; Joseph Webster Mayne, of Litzenberg, Lehigh County, Pa.; Oscar Daniel Miller, of Allentown, Pa.; Frank Henry Uhrich, of Meyerstown, Pa.; Samuel Wenrich, of West Cocalico, Lancaster County, Pa.; Augustus Frederick Schaeffer, of Chicago; Phaon Peter Wisser, of Hokendauqua, Pa.; Ernest Hartman, of Hanover, Germany; Frederick James Charles McCready, of Rajahmundry, India; Theophile Nathaniel Ander, of Wurtemberg, Germany.

It was resolved to recommend the above candidates for ordination.

In the case of Mr. Otto Krope, it was

Resolved, That the Committee recommend that he remain under the charge of the brethren, who have had care of his case, for another year, and that we advise that they place him under the direction of a pastor, who shall give him private instruction, and that the Ministerium sanction this arrangement.

E. GREENWALD, *Chairman.*

ATTEST:

G. F. SPIEKER, *Secretary.*

This report was taken up for consideration.

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Item 1. These applicants were voted on separately and all of them received into the Ministerium.

Item 2. These candidates were voted on separately and all of them admitted to ordination.

Item 3. The recommendation of the Committee, in the case of Mr. Otto Krope was adopted.

The Ministerium adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. Fry, D.D.

ATTEST: C. J. COOPER,
English Secretary.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, June 24, 1884.

Errata.

Page 6.—Residence of Rev. E. H. Pohle is Philadelphia.

" 6.—Rev. W. A. Baetes was not present.

" 7.—The name of R. G. Zobel should appear as delegate of the Roxborough charge.

Page 8.—Total clerical membership is 220; total number present, 194; total lay delegates present, 112.

Page 8.—The honorable dismissions were six.

" 9.—The name of Rev. J. F. Booher, of the English District Synod of Ohio, should appear among the dismissions.

" 32.—Rev. F. W. Weiskotten opened the session with devotional services.

Page 44.—The names of Revs. J. P. Deck and W. A. C. Mueller should appear among the applicants introduced.

Page 44.—Section 5, the numbers of real estate should be 3208 and 3210.

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PAROCHIAL REPORTS, &c., FOR 1884.

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TABLE No. 1.

Parochial Reports for the Year Ending Thursday before Trinity Sunday, June 5th, 1884.

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Rev. H. S. Miller	1823	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" J. Jaeger	1827	4	1500	1285	51	....	....	76	....	39	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....
" I. Roeller	1829	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" H. J. Schmidt, D.D.	1829	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" E. Greenwald, D.D.	1831	1	865	730	35	9	4	67	3	11	....	....	....	....	1	54	466	....	....	....
" C. F. Welden	1833	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" C. W. Schaeffer, D.D.	1835	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" C. L. Erle	1840	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" W. G. Laitzle	1841	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" E. A. Bauer	1841	1	600	550	80	....	....	157	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	38	450	....	....	....
" Joseph A. Seiss, D.D.	1842	1	279	200	11	5	....	7	1	2	1	....	....	....	1	23	129	....	....	....
" W. J. Mann, D.D.	1842	1	700	700	64	....	....	178	....	70	....	....	2	95	1	79	1185	....	....	....
" W. Weaver	1843	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" A. J. Weddell	1843	1	400	361	13	15	2	15	6	2	3	....	....	....	....	30	398	....	....	....
" J. C. Schmidt	1844	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" W. S. Emery	1844	1	475	440	31	4	1	16	4	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	40	....
" J. Kohler	1844	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" B. Sadtler, D.D.	1844	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" J. G. Able	1846	1	150	114	8	8	....	17	....	4	1	2	....	....	1	10	80	....	....	....
" W. Gerhard, D.D.	1847	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

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" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	1847	1	350	250	11	6	....	12	....	5	1	....	....	....	1	40	220	....	....	....
" G. F. Krotel, D.D.	1848	1	696	500	39	13	....	22	....	5	1	....	....	....	1	37	244	....	....	....
" T. T. Jaeger	1848	5	930	920	67	....	....	150	2	63	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	60	500
" F. Walz	1848	3	1000	950	13	6	2	58	3	15	6	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....
" H. Weicksel	1848	8	833	701	45	....	....	86	1	13	21	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	48	400
" Conrad Kuehn, D.D. (2)	1849	1	200	564	26	26	2	58	....	18	....	....	1	30	1	18	200	....	....	....
" D. M. Henkel, D.D.	1849	1	80	....	27	....	....	8	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....
" G. D. Bernheim, D.D.	1849	1	152	123	31	16	2	21	2	3	....	....	....	....	1	35	269	....	....	....
" J. K. Plitt	1850	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" G. A. Hinterleitner	1851	1	453	396	27	28	2	61	....	31	16	....	....	....	1	35	300	....	....	....
" Thos. Steck	1851	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" P. F. Zizelman	1851	1	400	400	32	....	16	93	1	5	2	....	....	....	1	24	325	....	....	....
" W. Rath	1852	5	....	1028	76	....	....	53	....	38	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....
" S. Yingling	1852	1	140	71	7	2	4	27	1	3	5	....	....	....	1	28	275	....	....	....
" G. F. Gardner	1853	1	250	235	23	12	....	62	....	6	30	....	....	....	1	28	235	....	....	....
" B. W. Schmauk	1853	2	945	517	46	25	3	73	6	23	....	....	....	....	2	81	757	....	....	....
" J. Fry, D.D.	1853	1	1050	825	60	11	3	40	2	16	10	....	....	....	2	100	1050	....	....	....
" J. W. Hassler	1854	1	247	179	3	1	....	4	2	9	3	....	....	....	1	20	160	....	....	....
" F. A. Muhlenberg, D.D.	1854	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" R. Hill	1854	1	450	350	14	5	4	21	....	4	10	....	....	....	1	30	390	1	24	300
" F. Berkemeyer	1855	3	515	485	29	5	1	23	6	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	19	120
" D. M. Martens	1855	4	591	487	26	4	....	25	1	14	....	....	....	....	1	48	220	2	40	198
" H. Grahn	1856	1	600	565	37	....	....	171	....	9	....	....	2	100	1	35	340	....	....	....
" J. F. Wampole	1856	5	900	700	68	4	1	50	3	8	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	150	1000
" F. J. F. Schantz	1857	2	525	425	35	6	....	37	1	13	8	....	....	....	2	29	250	....	....	....
" J. F. Bayer	1858	5	600	550	24	....	....	37	....	10	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	5	....	....
" D. Kuntz	1858	3	952	830	24	5	2	32	....	29	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	60	400
" B. E. Kramlich	1858	5	1325	1105	125	....	....	75	....	51	....	....	....	....	7	75	671	....	....	....
" B. H. Hunt	1858	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" F. T. Hennicke	1858	1	175	113	....	....	....	13	....	5	....	....	....	....	1	16	100	....	....	....
" J. A. Darmstaedter	1859	2	280	270	25	8	....	32	....	4	10	....	....	....	2	18	150	....	....	....
" O. Leopold	1859	5	650	550	42	....	....	40	....	20	....	....	....	....	2	35	300	3	40	350
" D. Sanner	1859	4	560	470	33	....	....	68	1	25	6	....	....	....	1	24	182	2	25	165
" B. D. Zweizig	1859	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" A. Finfrock	1859	5	1362	1009	58	2	....	107	....	20	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	60	450
" A. R. Horne, D.D.	1859	3	421	350	10	12	3	17	5	....	2	....	....	....	2	17	120	2	30	220

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	Entered the Ministry.	Number of Congregations	Confirmed Membership.	Communed within the yr.	By Confirmation.	From Luth. Congregations	From Other Congregations	Infant.	Adult.	By Death of Confirmed.	By Removals & withdrawals	By Exclusion.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Lutheran.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Other.	Teachers.	Pupils.
Rev. J. H. Voss	1859	3	320	189	1	....	....	25	....	3	....	....	....	....	1	5	52	2	3	42
" J. W. Early	1860	3	400	326	36	3	1	26	1	6	4	....	....	....	1	18	132	1	10	50
" J. H. Fritz	1860	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" J. J. Kuendig	1860	1	1200	1200	67	24	....	126	....	....	....	....	2	180	2	76	800	....	....	....
" P. Pfatteicher	1860	1	450	450	26	10	....	62	....	36	6	....	....	....	1	32	500	....	....	....
" J. B. Rath	1860	1	225	180	6	12	1	12	....	5	5	2	....	....	1	30	200	....	....	....
" G. A. Struntz	1860	3	365	294	32	2	3	41	....	3	11	....	....	....	2	20	180	....	....	....
" H. H. Bruning	1860	1	214	170	12	5	13	47	....	1	15	....	....	....	1	19	156	....	....	....
" A. Martin	1860	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" Enoch Smith	1860	1	600	500	29	31	2	51	2	4	....	....	....	....	1	28	450	....	....	....
" A. Spaeth, D.D	1861	1	550	550	46	....	....	78	....	....	....	....	2	150	3	70	700	....	....	....
" S. Laird	1861	1	600	....	21	12	3	27	6	5	10	....	....	....	1	55	403	....	....	....
" J. H. Schmidt	1861	4	....	193	21	12	6	50	....	7	....	....	....	....	2	18	150	....	....	....
" T. Heilig	1861	2	225	170	....	....	....	9	....	5	3	....	....	....	2	15	90	1	7	45
" G. A. Bruegel	1861	4	750	550	7	....	....	33	....	17	....	....	....	....	1	13	95	11	50	500
" J. R. Groff	1861	1	180	130	4	8	1	5	....	....	7	....	....	....	1	23	225	....	....	....
" A. M. Strauss	1861	6	740	621	85	2	....	75	1	18	44	....	....	....	1	12	124	6	36	400
" B. F. Apple	1862	1	160	160	20	31	4	65	6	....	....	....	....	....	1	25	155	....	....	....
" W. B. Fox	1862	4	1000	875	49	10	3	67	2	10	5	....	....	....	1	26	125	5	....	....
" J. G. Pfuhl	1862	1	420	360	24	20	....	55	....	17	20	....	....	....	1	30	325	....	....	....
" J. M. Anspach	1862	1	300	220	13	7	4	16	3	4	....	....	....	....	1	30	300	....	....	....
" L. Groh	1863	2	1300	935	38	20	....	97	2	22	15	....	....	....	2	45	490	9	90	600
" G. F. W. Guensch	1863	1	300	300	15	....	....	45	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	30	175	....	....	....

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" J. S. Renninger	1863	5	1520	1360	69	....	....	119	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	217	1625
" H. Giesz	1863	4	588	525	20	3	....	48	6	17	5	....	....	....	1	14	90	4	42	320
" M. Schimpf	1863	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" M. C. Horine	1863	1	540	398	39	11	....	49	2	8	2	....	....	....	1	40	501	....	....	....
" W. Rieb	1864	1	600	592	40	3	19	145	2	12	3	....	1	100	1	25	350	....	....	....
" S. A. K. Francis	1864	1	385	275	56	10	....	85	12	5	2	....	....	....	1	23	375	....	....	....
" M. H. Richards	1864	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" M. B. Lenker	1865	3	320	210	....	10	8	85	....	6	4	....	....	....	1	10	75	1	8	60
" J. C. Dizinger	1865	1	400	300	31	....	....	58	2	44	....	....	2	56	1	30	290	....	....	....
" G. W. Frederick	1866	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" W. O. Cornman	1866	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" J Gruhler	1866	1	240	165	12	....	....	47	....	2	10	....	....	....	1	22	120	....	....	....
" H. E. Jacobs, D.D	1866	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" J. J. Cressman	1867	2	600	580	....	12	1	40	....	22	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	45	350
" J. Hilipot	1867	5	625	557	47	....	1	61	2	10	5	....	....	....	1	....	....	4	....	....
" D. K. Humbert	1867	7	1832	1773	143	....	....	221	2	29	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	....	....
" J. D. Schindel	1867	2	750	575	575	20	4	117	....	16	24	....	....	....	1	31	500	1	16	200
" T. L. Seip	1867	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" G. F. Speiker	1867	1	652	....	34	69	2	34	....	9	3	....	....	....	1	43	571	....	....	....
" J. Zentner	1868	1	780	700	45	....	10	80	....	....	....	....	1	50	3	40	500	....	....	....
" F. W. Weiskotten	1868	1	....	....	71	23	....	178	1	15	2	....	2	90	2	92	1060	....	....	....
" E. L. Reed	1868	1	200	138	13	6	4	22	2	5	1	....	....	....	1	24	260	....	....	....
" S. S. Henry	1868	4	270	180	6	5	....	10	....	1	10	....	....	....	2	16	90	1	8	50
" D. D. Trexler	1868	5	550	500	30	....	....	67	....	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" Z. H. Gable	1868	6	1150	1000	72	2	....	151	4	21	2	....	....	....	2	32	290	3	35	300
" R. Gerlach	1868	1	51	141	6	....	....	33	....	7	....	....	....	....	1	19	146	....	....	....
" J. M. Hantz	1868	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" F. P. Mayser	1868	1	1090	620	38	47	....	61	....	14	30	....	2	45	1	55	340	....	....	....
" H. S. Fegley	1869	5	800	614	43	....	....	43	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	75	450
" F. K. Huntzinger	1869	3	850	800	83	....	....	194	....	20	....	....	....	....	1	35	450	3	....	....
" P. Isenschmidt	1869	1	200	200	25	....	....	57	....	2	2	....	....	....	1	24	180	....	....	....
" C. Koerner	1869	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" W. A. Schaeffer (3)	1869	1	108	80	....	18	2	3	....	....	2	....	....	....	1	12	75	....	....	....
" H. C. Schmidt (mis'nry)	1869	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" Augustus Linsz	1869	1	140	120	19	....	....	53	....	4	....	....	....	....	1	11	105	....	....	....
" D. E. Reed	1869	1	150	130	19	....	....	4	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	11	122

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	Entered the Ministry.	Number of Congregations	Confirmed Membership.	Communed within the yr.	By Confirmation.	From Luth. Congregations	From Other Congregations	Infant.	Adult.	By Death of Confirmed.	By Removals & withdrawals	By Exclusion.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Lutheran.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Other.	Teachers.	Pupils.
Rev. C. J. Cooper	1870	2	600	382	26	48	....	52	2	11	27	10	....	....	3	45	250	1	15	120
" D. K. Kepner	1870	1	1150	1041	83	99	....	120	11	20	8	....	....	....	1	50	785	3	15	200
" W. H. Strauss	1870	5	1600	900	33	....	....	41	....	28	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	10	....	....
" F. C. C. Kaehler	1870	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" I. W. Bieber	1871	2	985	745	48	....	....	47	....	14	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	60	515
" F. F. Buermeyer	1871	1	40	40	10	....	....	3	1	....	2	....	....	....	1	13	140	....	....	....
" G. D. Foust	1871	1	170	140	13	4	....	14	1	5	7	....	....	....	1	15	130	....	....	....
" I. K. Paulsen (mis'nry)	1871	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" W. H Rickert	1871	1	197	125	11	1	....	23	....	1	9	....	....	....	1	14	160	....	....	....
" F. Wischan	1871	1	400	700	65	....	....	140	....	30	15	....	4	200	1	126	700	....	....	....
" Samuel G. Finckel (4)	1871	1	130	100	10	4	....	10	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	20	250	....	....	....
" H. N. Fegley	1872	2	286	272	10	14	....	13	9	4	13	....	....	....	2	27	300	....	....	....
" D. H. Geissinger	1872	1	627	550	24	4	3	27	....	13	8	....	....	....	2	75	700	....	....	....
" J. Neff	1872	2	275	230	4	4	....	10	5	4	8	....	....	....	2	40	300	....	....	....
" I. N. S. Erb	1873	6	650	500	25	....	....	57	....	14	....	....	....	....	1	25	200	5	75	550
" M. J. Kramlich (5)	1873	1	75	70	3	....	....	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	15	150
" W. H. Kuntz	1873	3	640	540	97	....	....	81	3	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	30	500
" J. J. Kuntz	1873	5	650	552	48	3	....	88	7	19	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	12	200
" J. W. Rumple	1873	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
" S. A. Ziegenfuss	1873	2	585	450	14	14	....	22	....	16	17	....	....	....	1	35	175	2	30	300
" E. E. Sibole	1873	1	336	....	13	3	....	13	5	6	6	10	....	....	1	45	366	....	....	....
" F. A. Kaehler	1874	1	340	290	19	2	5	23	1	6	1	....	....	....	1	29	273	....	....	....
" A. J. Long	1874	5	1000	850	30	8	....	61	1	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	48	575

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"	J. H. Neiman	1874	3	600	525	45	2	....	61	5	9	....	....	....	....	2	25	200	1	6	50
"	J. F. Ohl	1874	3	791	619	12	9	1	35	1	14	9	....	....	....	1	22	259	1	12	75
"	O. P. Smith	1874	3	900	820	30	14	3	51	22	13	7	....	....	....	2	38	400	1	18	200
"	B. S. Smoll	1874	4	850	750	19	....	....	67	....	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	....
"	D. M. Stetler	1874	6	535	455	55	5	....	58	3	10	....	....	....	....	1	9	84	3	26	375
"	H. B. Strodach	1874	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
"	F. P. Bender	1875	1	700	604	79	....	....	246	2	15	12	....	1	70	1	65	780	....	....	....
"	D. L. Coleman	1875	1	141	118	9	7	....	6	6	1	1	....	....	....	1	12	100	....	....	....
"	H. T. Duensing	1875	1	120	250	27	....	....	43	....	7	....	....	....	....	1	30	275	....	....	....
"	C. Elvin Houpt	1875	1	302	224	36	2	1	82	4	9	2	....	2	34	1	29	300	....	....	....
"	J. E. Nidecker (6)	1875	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
"	E. S. Brownmiller	1875	4	600	550	59	10	3	35	19	8	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....
"	J. S. Erb	1876	4	598	540	26	8	3	35	....	2	....	....	....	....	3	32	356	2	12	120
"	C. J. Hirzel	1876	1	....	81	....	4	3	7	1	1	4	....	....	....	1	10	80	....	....	....
"	W. H. Myers	1876	1	371	283	26	32	13	21	2	6	5	....	....	....	1	32	350	....	....	....
"	A. P. Pflueger	1876	2	745	522	26	6	3	59	5	11	2	....	....	....	2	25	200	....	....	....
"	W. Wackernagel, D.D.	1876	2	250	403	13	....	....	14	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	25	3	30	300
"	W. J. Andres	1877	4	650	575	109	....	....	78	4	15	....	....	....	....	1	1	125	5	50	550
"	J. L. Becker	1877	3	1000	866	62	15	1	53	20	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
"	A. E. Erdman	1877	4	500	400	....	3	2	33	....	11	....	....	....	....	1	15	80	3	40	350
"	L. Lindenstruth	1877	2	405	351	23	14	....	61	....	4	6	....	....	....	4	88	325	....	....	....
"	M. O. Rath	1877	1	175	120	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	15	200	....	....	....
"	L. Smith	1877	1	80	86	17	12	....	18	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	8	50	....	....	....
"	J. Q. Upp	1877	2	512	339	16	7	1	50	....	3	2	....	....	....	1	10	62	1	30	180
"	J. P. German	1878	7	530	490	20	....	....	24	....	4	15	....	....	....	1	6	65	3	16	319
"	J. W. Mattern	1878	1	69	52	3	5	1	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	9	55	....	....	....
"	George P. Mueller	1878	1	135	123	7	3	....	21	....	2	3	....	....	....	1	17	140	....	....	....
"	E. H. Pohle	1878	1	....	108	5	....	....	37	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	16	137	....	....	....
"	Joseph Rechsteiner	1878	2	350	257	13	3	1	37	....	13	2	....	....	....	1	24	175	....	....	....
"	T. Joseph (mis'nry)	1878	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
"	N. Paulus (mis'nry)	1878	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Wm. A. C. Mueller	1878	2	500	300	....	25	....	....	....	12	15	....	....	....	2	41	250	....	....	....
"	H. T. Clymer	1879	2	50	48	....	2	....	9	....	1	2	....	....	....	1	10	50	1	8	65
"	A. B. Markley	1879	3	290	251	15	8	4	20	7	4	....	1	....	....	2	18	160	1	12	125
"	S. E. Ochsenford	1879	2	594	357	4	5	1	22	3	9	1	....	....	....	1	15	164	1	12	150
"	Ernest R. Cassaday	1880	1	130	95	33	6	12	19	6	1	4	....	....	....	1	19	255	....	....	....

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NAMES OF PASTORS AND MINISTERS.	PASTORATES.				ACCESSIONS.			BAP. TISMS.		LOSSES.			PARO-CHIAL SCHOOLS		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.					
	Entered the Ministry.	Number of Congregations	Confirmed Membership.	Communed within the yr.	By Confirmation.	From Luth. Congregations	From Other Congregations	Infant.	Adult.	By Death of Confirmed.	By Removals & withdrawals	By Exclusion.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Lutheran.	Teachers.	Pupils.	Other.	Teachers.	Pupils.
Rev. J. F. C. Fluck	1880	1	196	179	13	40	5	34	1	1	15	....	.....	.....	1	20	269	....	.....	.....
" J. W. Gauker	1880	4	308	280	11	4	2	12	.....	3	2	1	.....	.....	1	21	120	3	38	278
" C. K. Drumheller	1880	4	600	500	45	.....	3	46	.....	12	7	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....
" H. G. B. Artman (Miss).	1880	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
" R. H. Gerhart	1880	1	235	175	9	30	6	26	.....	3	6	....	.....	.....	1	21	168	....	.....	.....
" Wm. H. Geiger	1880	4	675	468	11	.....	.....	83	.....	9	.....	....	.....	.....	1	12	140	6	.....	.....
" Wm. J. Bieber	1881	3	550	397	27	4	1	46	.....	6	4	....	.....	.....	1	25	110	1	10	65
" Charles L. Fry.	1881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
" U. P. Heilman	1881	2	680	585	17	.....	.....	44	.....	14	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	54	450
" D. H. Reiter	1881	4	900	830	72	20	3	56	.....	14	6	....	.....	.....	1	10	80	2	40	350
" H. E. Semmel	1881	3	335	275	26	2	.....	13	13	4	6	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	160
" J. Luther Sibole	1881	1	372	325	21	11	3	12	.....	3	4	....	.....	.....	1	31	490	....	.....	.....
" Edgar M. Smith	1881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
" M. L. Zweizig	1881	1	86	75	4	22	1	21	1	1	3	....	.....	.....	1	9	70	....	.....	.....
" John P. Deck	1881	1	140	115	9	.....	3	14	11	3	5	....	.....	.....	1	10	85	....	.....	.....
" F. S. Dietrich (Miss)	1882	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
" J. H. Kuder	1882	1	300	240	38	10	7	28	.....	.....	7	....	.....	.....	1	22	260	....	.....	.....
" G. S. Seaman	1882	1	212	152	11	3	.....	17	3	3	4	....	.....	.....	1	24	175	....	.....	.....
" W. M. Rehrig	1882	1	170	140	22	10	7	32	.....	3	9	....	.....	.....	1	17	150	....	.....	.....
" W. A. Baetes	1882	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
" J. H. R. Wendel	1883	1	168	114	3	36	2	17	.....	9	6	....	.....	.....	.....	13	90	....	.....	.....
" C. K. Binder	1883	1	80	68	8	15	4	5	2	.....	4	...	.....	.....	1	11	130	....	.....	.....
" F. K. Bernd	1883	2	676	486	38	.....	.....	31	.....	5	2	...	.....	.....	1	12	110	3	.....	300

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" G. W. Sandt	1883	2	174	174	16	22	.....	13	.....	25	.....	...	.....	.....	2	23	190	....	18	143
" J. H. Umbenhen	1883	4	750	647	104	3	4	53	9	18	.....	...	.....	.....	2	15	125	1	12	100
" J. W. Klingler (8)	1883	4	650	604	.....	3	1	29	.....	8	.....	...	.....	.....	2	42	175	2	37	200
" A. G. Voigt	1883	2	110	143	19	.....	....	17	.....	1	1	...	.....	.....	2	13	90	....	.....	.....
" T. S. Schmauk (9)	1883	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
" S. B. Stupp	1883	1	250	231	26	30	10	39	2	3	4	...	.....	.....	1	15	150	....	.....	.....
Sieber's Church		.....	125	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	75
Danville Charge (10)		2	208	.....	15	.....	.....	6	.....	1	.....	...	.....	.....	1	8	70	....	.....	.....
Roxborough		1	225	223	19	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	1	36	200	....	.....	.....
Tamaqua, Zion's, Christ's(11)		2	300	242	18	6	3	8	...	4	2	...	.....	.....	1	22	260	1	15	81
Dushore Charge		3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Zion's, Mechanicsburg		1	168	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
Milville and Vineland		2	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
St. Clair and Middleport		2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Philadelphia		1	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	1	.....	232	....	.....	.....

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Contributions of Churches for

AMOUNT COLLECTED includes all moneys contributed for the various Benevolent SPECIAL OBJECTS include moneys contributed for Benevolent Objects which are not CONGREGATIONAL EXPENSES include moneys contributed for salaries of Pastor Or- APPORTIONED 1884 and APPORTIONED 1885 are the apportionments made by the Com- N. B. When the "total amount brought 1883-'84" does not equal the "amount than to General Fund (to be appropriated by the Executive Committee to the Fund, Education, Home Missions of Pennsylvania Synod, or Foreign Missions,

NAME OF PASTOR.	Apportioned for the current yr. '84-'85.	Apportioned for last year '83-'84.	Total Amount brought, '83-'84.	General Fund.	SYNODICAL FUNDS OF		
					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun. English.
Rev. J. Jaeger	$200	$200	$211 27	$211 27			
" E. Greenwald, D.D. (1)	600	800	325 00	75 00			$260
" C. W. Schaeffer, D.D.			25 00	25 00			
" E. A. Bauer	120	100	90 00	90 00			
" Joseph A. Seiss, D.D.			200 00		$200		250 00
" W. J. Mann, D.D.	700	700	702 00	52 00	100 00	$300	
" A. J. Weddell	250	250		250 00			
" W. S. Emery		50	65 50	60 00			
" J. Kohler	50						
" J. G. Able	15	15	20 75	1 50	1 50		
" B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	200	200	230 00	180 00			27 00
" G. F. Krotel, D.D.	500	500	500 00	500 00			511 00
" F. Walz	200	200	200 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	
" T. T. Jaeger	125	125	130 00	5 00	50 00	25 00	25 00
" H. Weicksel	70	70	45 43		25 20	49 57	
" Conrad Kuehn,	75	75	50 00				
" D. M. Henkel, D.D.				8 00			
" G. D. Bernheim, D.D.	25	25	24 25	9 25			
" G. A. Hinterleitner	100	100	74 00		25 00	25 00	
" Thos. Steck							
" P. F. Zizelman	75	75	30 00	30 00			
" W. Rath	300	300	214 25	214 25			
" S. Yingling	20	20	20 00	20 00			
" G. F. Gardner		20	22 00		12 00		
" B. W. Schmauk, (2)	400	400	335 88	10 00	145 21		138 55
" " Annville					13 23		19 15
" J. Fry, D.D.	800	1000	800 00	740 00			400 00
" J. W. Hassler	125	125	113 11	113 11			
" R. Hill	300	300	300 00	50 00	100 00	100 00	50 00
" F. Berkemeyer	200	200	141 89	141 89			
" D. M. Martens	100	100	82 26	62 26			2 79
" H. Grahn, (8)	125	150	176 00	91 00			
" J. F. Wampole	75	75	75 00	75 00			
" F. J. F. Schantz, (3)	125	125	125 00	125 10			8 00
" J. F. Bayer	60	60	40 00		15 00	10 00	
" D. Kuntz	190	150	125 00	75 00		25 00	

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the Year Ending June, 1884.

Objects of Synod.
directly sustained by Synod.
ganist, Choir, School Teachers, Sextons, repairs, and all usual expenses.
mittee on Systematic Benificence for the last past and for current synodical year.
apportioned for 1883-'84," it may be owing to contributions made to other objects
various objects) or designated by the Congregations themselves for General
as may be seen by reference to other columns.

THE CURRENT YEAR FOR VARIOUS CHURCH INTERESTS.

For Home Missions, Gen, Coun. German.	Foreign Missions	Pastors' Widows and Orphans Fund.	Donations and Legacies to the Int.-bear'g Fund	Cash Paid to Treasurer of Orphans' Home.	Approx. Val. of Articles Donated to Orph'ns' Home	Special Objects.	Total Contributions for General Benevolence.	Congregational Expenses.	Total for all Objects
									$211 27
	$60 00			$27 77	$50 00	$8215 96	$9413 73	$3650 00	13,063.73
									25 00
$20 00				16 00		500 00	626 00	1200 00	1826 00
				77 00	100 00	1076 66	2403 66	8614 47	11.018.13
150 00	250 00			989 13	200 00	2781 20	4822 33	9130 21	13.952.54
				613 20	300 00		1163 20	1540 00	2703 20
								600 00	660 00
11 25	5 00	1 50		2 00		114 00	136 75	715 00	851 75
	50 00			35 07		920 00	1212 07	1750 00	3185 07
						1689 00	2800 00	7000 00	10.811 00
27 23	50 00	5 00		25 00		10 00	177 23	1200 00	1377 23
25 00	50 00					800 00			980 00
		20 23				1105 00	1200 00	743 00	1943 00
									8 00
						1000 00	1024 25	925 00	1949 25
37 00	24 00			16 00	10 00	450 00	612 00	1700 00	2312 00
50 00						125 00	205 00	1100 00	1305 00
							214 25		214 25
						80 00	100 00	1230 00	1330 00
	10 00			5 55	5 00	777 00	809 55	675 00	1484 55
75 55	121 71			81 05	30 00	7024 61	7625 68	3047 76	10 673.44
	25 45					37 38	95 21	400 00	495 21
	50 00					1460 84	2650 84	3700 00	6350 84
				8 00			121 11	800 00	921 11
	50 00				50 00	700 00	1100 00	2400 00	3500 00
				58 00	25 00	20 00	244 89	856 50	1101 39
	20 00			30 21		400 00	515 26	1000 00	1515 26
98 00	52 00	1 00	12 00	190 00	50 00	761 00	1255 00	6505 50	7760 50
				5 00		506 00	586 00	1080 00	1666 00
8 00				10 00		1225 00	1376 10	1000 00	2376 10
10 00	10 00	5 00		50 00		10 00	111 00	600 00	711 00
	25 00			10 00			135 00	3078 00	3213 00

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Contribution of Churches for the

NAME OF PASTOR.	Apportioned for the current yr. '84-'85.	Apportioned for last year' 83-'84	Total Amount brought, '83-'84.	General Fund.	SYNODICAL FUNDS OF		
					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun. English.
Rev. B. E. Kramlich	$225	$225	$225 00	$225 00			
" F. T. Hennicke	25	50	35 00	35 00			
" J. A. Darmstaedter	70	70	100 00	5 00			
" O. Leopold	200	200	200 00	50 00		$50 00	
" D. Sanner	75	75	20 00	5 00	$10 00	5 00	
" B. D. Zweizig	200	200					
" A. Finfrock, (9)	200	200	132 78	132 78			
" A. R. Horne, D.D.	50	30	35 00	5 00	15 00	15 00	
" J. H. Voss	20	20	4 00	2 00			
" J. W. Early, (10)	40	30	30 00	30 00	5 00	8 20	$ 8 20
" J. J. Kuendig	120	500	100 00	100 00			
" P. Pfatteicher	175	175	150 00	125 00	25 00		
" J. B. Rath	100	100	100 00	10 00	35 00	25 00	20 00
" G. A. Struntz	30	30	30 00	30 00			
" H. H. Bruning	40	35	46 31	46 31			
" Enoch Smith	150	150	170 00	150 00	20 00		75 30
" A. Spaeth, D.D.	300	400	300 00	10 00	100 00	50 00	
" S. Laird	1000	1200	1245 00	1200 00			284 79
" J. H. Schmidt	15	15	19 13				
" T. Heilig	25	25	25 75	25 75			
" G. A. Bruegel	125	100	102 46	100 00			
" J. R. Groff	35	25	17 00	10 00			
" A. M. Strauss	100	100	100 00	100 00			10 87
" B. F. Apple	30	25	25 90			36 20	
" W. B. Fox	200	200	216 00	216 12	5 00		
" J. G. Pfuhl	50	50	50 00	50 00	15 00		
" J. M. Anspach	150	125	125 00	10 00	25 00	40 00	16 00
" L. Groh	325	325	475 00	10 00	265 00		40 00
" J. S. Renninger	325	300	300 00	300 00			
" H. Giesz	200	200	155 00	155 00			10 00
" G. F. W. Guensch	50	50	51 50	11 25		10 25	5 00
" M. Schimpf	25	25	25 00				
" M. C. Horine	200	200	200 00	170 00			30 00
" W. Rieb	100	100	265 00	175 00		10 00	
" S. A. K. Francis	125	125	100 00	100 00			
" M. B. Lenker	15	10	15 00	15 00			
" J. C. Dizinger	50	50	50 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	
" J Gruhler	25	25	19 50	9 70		4 30	
" J. J. Cressman	150	125	150 00	78 00		10 00	12 50
" J. Hillpot	100	100	102 06	102 06			
" D. K. Humbert	300	300	175 00	175 00			
" J. D. Schindel	160	150	150 00	150 00	15 00		
" G. F. Speiker	100	75	95 00	95 00			
" J. Zentner	50	50	50 00	50 00			
" F. W. Weiskotten	300	300	108 00	25 00			

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.....	.....	.....	.....	$10 00	.....	.....	$ 235 00	.....	$ 235 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 280 00	315 00	$ 800 00	1115 00
100 00	20 00	$ 5 00	.....	13 50	.....	150 00	293 50	950 00	1243 50
.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	1700 00	1400 00	3100 00
21 08	.....	5 00	.....	15 00	$10 00	400 00	471 08	950 00	1421 08
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1900 00	2032 78	740 00	2772 78
.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	55 00	700 00	755 00
.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	100 00	106 00	200 00	306 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	33 90	.....	45 00	130 30	675 00	805 30
400 00	.....	.....	.....	90 00	.....	1550 00	2140 00	4000 00	6140 00
25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	175 00	2780 00	2955 00
20 00	25 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	170 00	1800 00	1970 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	390 00	425 00	325 00	750 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	451 03	497 34	828 97	1326 31
.....	.....	.....	.....	39 93	6 00	200 00	491 23	1660 86	2152 09
120 00	106 00	.....	.....	469 79	.....	5200 00	6055 79	5500 00	11,555.79
.....	45 00	.....	.....	330 47	447 22	3409 23	5716 71	4677 53	10,394.24
.....	19 13	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 13
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	800 00	825 75
15 00	2 46	.....	.....	10 40	.....	82 48	210 34	1400 00	1610 34
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 50	10 00	150 00	175 50	1000 00	1175 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1200 00	1310 87	900 00	2210 87
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2228 15	2264 35	675 15	2939 50
.....	7 00	.....	.....	28 00	.....	600 00	856 12	1350 00	2206 12
100 00	.....	.....	.....	21 00	.....	600 00	786 00	1500 00	2286 00
.....	40 00	5 00	$5 00	43 00	50 00	500 00	734 00	2300 00	3034 00
.....	150 00	.....	.....	23 00	.....	536 00	1015 00	2000 00	3015 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	1200 00	1565 00	2000 00	3565 00
10 00	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	190 00	800 00	990 00
5 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51 50	.....	51 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	4854 02	5084 02	1508 00	6592 02
32 00	80 00	10 00	.....	32 00	.....	450 25	789 25	2634 79	3424 04
.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	75 00	800 00	1000 00	1800 00	2800 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	45 00	710 00	755 00
.....	15 00	.....	.....	33 00	.....	500 00	583 00	1200 00	1783 00
5 50	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	218 00	243 00	593 00	836 74
12 50	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 50	219 50	1250 00	1469 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	3595 00	3697 06	1250 00	4947 06
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	175 00	.....	175 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	.....	450 00	627 00	1775 00	2402 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	95 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	41 00	.....	500 00	591 00	1600 00	2191 00
406 34	108 00	.....	.....	285 88	.....	1158 03	1983 25	3605 54	5588 79

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NAME OF PASTOR.	Apportioned for the current yr. '84-'85.	Apportioned for last year' 83-'84	Total Amount brought, '83-'84.	General Fund.	SYNODICAL FUNDS OF		
					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Conn. English.
Rev. E. L. Reed	$ 25	$ 25	$ 25 00	$ 25 00			$25 00
" S. S. Henry	35	30		7 00			7 65
" D. D. Trexler	80	80	80 00		$5 00	$75 00	
" Z. H. Gable	150	150	111 20	111 22			
" F. P. Mayser	150	150	160 00	10 00	25 00	35 00	
" R. Gerlach	25	25					
" A. Linz	30	5	5 00	5 00			
" H. S. Fegley	125	125	125 00		41 65	41 65	
" F. K. Huntzinger	100	100	38 00	38 00			
" P. Isenschmidt	75	75	65 00	25 00	5 00		
" W. A. Schaeffer	25	25	42 25	10 00	10 00	15 00	
" D. E. Reed	20	15	18 00	18 00			
" C. J. Cooper	140	100	130 00	119 96	8 52		19 62
" D. K. Kepner	225	225	280 00	225 00	25 00		
" W. H. Strauss	125	125	122 00	112 00			
" I. W. Bieber	200	200	239 00	229 00	10 00		
" G. D. Foust	25	25	25 00	25 00			
" F. F. Buermeyer							
" W. H Rickert	20	20					
" F. Wischan	500	500	458 13	87 13			
" Samuel G. Finckel	25						
" H. N. Fegley	150	150	165 52		75 00	50 00	15 52
" D. H. Geissinger, (11)	400	300	325 00	300 00			25 00
" J. Neff	50	50	25 00	25 00			
" I. N. S. Erb	130	130	195 00	185 00			10 00
" M. J. Kramlich		10	11 50	11 50			
" W. H. Kuntz	80	75	75 00	75 00			
" J. J. Kuntz	115	100	100 00	100 00			
" S. A. Ziegenfuss, (12)	150	125	174 10	125 00	46 60		10 00
" E. E. Sibole	500	500	550 00	100 00	125 00	125 00	625 00
" F. A. Kaehler	200	200	200 00	200 00		200 00	75 00
" A. J. Long	225	225	170 00	170 29			
" J. H. Neiman	85	75	92 69	93 34			
" J. F. Ohl	100	100	96 00		10 00	19 65	
" O. P. Smith	175	175	170 00	100 00	50 00	15 00	5 00
" B. S. Smoll	80	80	80 00	80 00	5 00		7 75
" D. M. Stetler	30	30	30 00	30 00			
" F. P. Bender	75	75	75 00	75 00			
" D. L. Coleman	25	25	25 00	25 00			
" H. T. Duensing	25	25					
" C. Elvin Houpt	75	75	25 00	25 00			
" J. E. Nidecker (4)							
" E. S. Brownmiller	50	50	70 62	30 62		20 00	
" J. S. Erb	125	100	100 00	100 00			
" C. J. Hirzel	25	25		25 00			

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.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$80 00	$130 00	$ 850 00	$980 00
.....	$10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 50	53 15	525 00	578 15
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	111 22	.....	111 22
110 00	52 00	.....	.....	$40 00	.....	2238 00	2510 00	3200 00	5700 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	$20 00	.....	.....	836 00	861 25
.....	.....	.....	.....	7 85	33 00	688 00	833 85	800 00	1633 85
.....	41 70	.....	.....	14 40	2 00	16 21	157 61	1800 00	1957 61
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	88 00	2200 00	2288 00
54 00	35 00	.....	.....	79 62	.....	.....	198 62	950 00	1148 62
.....	5 00	$ 2 25	.....	13 75	92 20	112 80	261 00	1473 99	1734 99
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600 00	618 00
16 52	10 57	.....	.....	55 40	25 00	150 00	405 59	1500 00	1905 59
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	577 81	827 81	2245 05	3072 86
.....	10 00	.....	.....	29 80	.....	3700 00	3801 80	1200 00	5001 80
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	670 00	909 00	1100 00	2009 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	221 23	246 23	488 45	734 68
.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	200 00	220 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	20 00	500 00	535 00	1750 00	2285 00
250 00	130 00	.....	.....	900 00	100 00	.....	1467 13	5000 00	6467 13
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	228 50	.....	.....	228 50
.....	25 00	.....	.....	32 05	.....	460 00	657 57	1360 00	2017 57
.....	25 00	.....	.....	45 74	60 00	5649 10	6104 84	2729 18	8834 02
.....	.....	.....	.....	16 10	.....	2650 03	2691 13	1299 55	3990 68
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000 00	3195 00	1400 00	4595 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 50	200 00	211 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400 00	475 00	900 00	1375 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	105 00	900 00	1005 00
10 00	2 50	.....	.....	35 25	.....	325 00	554 35	1448 75	2003 10
.....	150 00	.....	.....	150 00	200 00	4799 50	6274 50	3945 00	10,219.50
.....	150 00	.....	.....	40 20	.....	855 45	1520 65	1865 00	3385 65
.....	.....	.....	.....	32 16	.....	1000 00	1202 45	1400 00	2602 45
.....	.....	.....	.....	9 04	.....	.....	102 38	800 00	902 38
.....	66 61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	96 26	.....	96 26
.....	5 00	35 00	.....	35 00	.....	1600 00	1800 00	1810 00	3610 00
8 91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	101 66	.....	101 66
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	318 00	353 00	606 50	959 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	79 38	175 00	1757 89	2087 27	2912 77	5001 04
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	1200 00	1225 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500 00	.....	.....	2250 00
.....	.....	.....	$5 00	13 00	.....	2324 00	2367 00	1520 05	3887 67
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 62	1000 00	1070 62
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	.....	100 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	65 00	672 27	737 27

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					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun. English.
Rev. W. H. Myers	$ 30	$ 30	$ 25 00	$ 25 00	.....	.....	.....
" A. P. Pflueger	100	100	102 94	25 54	.....	$10 00	.....
" W. Wackernagel, D.D.	40	30	47 50	30 00	$5 00	.....	.....
" W. J. Andres	125	125	169 00	125 00	25 00	9 00	$10 00
" J. L. Becker	125	125	128 00	128 00	.....	.....	.....
" A. E. Erdman	75	60	50 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....
" L. Lindenstruth	50	50	52 00	52 00	.....	.....	.....
" M. O. Rath	50	.....	57 45	37 59	.....	.....	.....
" L. Smith	25	25	18 00	3 08	.....	.....	.....
" J. Q. Upp	75	75	75 93	65 43	10 00	.....	.....
" J. P. German	75	75	75 00	75 00	5 00	.....	.....
" J. W. Mattern	25	25	25 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....
" George P. Mueller	25	25	19 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....
" E. H. Pohle	25	25	20 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....
" Joseph Rechsteiner	50	50	64 44	50 00	10 00	.....	.....
" Wm. A. C. Mueller	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" H. T. Clymer	15	20	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....
" A. B. Markley	40	30	37 23	37 23	.....	.....	.....
" S. E. Ochsenford	55	50	55 00	55 00	.....	.....	5 00
" Ernest R. Cassaday	20	.....	20 00	.....	.....	17 00	.....
" J. F. C. Fluck	25	25	25 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....
" J. W. Gauker	40	30	30 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....
" C. K. Drumheller	.....	75	53 00	53 00	.....	.....	.....
" " " Tamaqua	30	30	30 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....
" E. H. Gerhart	10	10	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	8 53
" Wm. H. Geiger	.....	50	50 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....
" " "StoneValley	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Wm. J. Bieber	125	125	180 00	180 00	.....	.....	.....
" Charles L. Fry (5)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" U. P. Heilman	120	120	135 00	125 00	10 00	.....	.....
" D. H. Reiter	80	80	95 00	95 00	10 00	.....	.....
" H. E. Semmel	20	20	25 40	.....	5 00	.....	.....
" J. Luther Sibole	150	200	100 00	100 00	.....	.....	23 00
" M. L. Zweizig	15	15	15 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....
" John P. Deck	30	.....	30 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....
" J. H. Kuder	75	75	75 00	25 00	.....	.....	8 01
" G. S. Seaman	75	75	75 00	68 90	6 10	.....	.....
" W. M. Rehrig	20	20	10 47	10 47	.....	.....	.....
" F. K. Bernd	125	150	98 69	93 69	.....	.....	.....
" C. K. Binder	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" J. W. Klingler (13)	130	125	79 00	76 00	.....	1 00	.....
" G. W. Sandt	30	25	30 00	23 00	.....	.....	.....
" T. S. Schmauk (6)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" S. B. Stupp	15	15	15 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....
" J. H. Umbenhen	100	75	100 00	80 00	.....	.....	.....

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.....	$71 40	.....	.....	$23 34	$70 00	$290 00	$ 95 00	$2300 00	$2395 00
$12 50	12 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	416 28	1050 00	1466 28
10 00	10 00	.....	.....	5 66	115 00	1000 00	60 00	.....	60 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	39 34	.....	.....	1309 66	1200 00	2509 66
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000 00	167 34	1200 00	1367 34
.....	.....	.....	.....	12 50	40 00	375 00	2050 00	1000 00	3050 00
43 15	49 86	.....	.....	3 58	.....	.....	489 50	1771 44	2260 94
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	134 18	250 00	384 18
.....	.....	.....	.....	13 05	.....	2656 72	18 08	1200 00	1218 08
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600 00	2745 20	636 60	3381 80
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1050 00	680 00	900 00	1580 00
13 16	10 00	$3 00	.....	5 00	.....	498 91	1075 00	800 00	1875 00
44 30	.....	.....	.....	54 01	.....	627 00	536 07	782 84	1318 91
15 94	4 44	.....	.....	11 25	.....	55 10	720 31	590 00	1310 31
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 73	800 75	947 48
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	198 36	208 36	345 92	554 28
.....	5 88	.....	.....	7 50	.....	245 00	289 73	785 00	1074 73
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	25 00	95 88	904 93	980 81
.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	10 00	521 30	577 38	554 30	1131 68
.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	577 00	605 00	1345 00	1950 00
.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	250 00	280 00	720 50	1000 50
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53 00	.....	53 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1875 47	1905 47	800 00	2705 47
8 53	.....	.....	.....	12 60	.....	497 37	537 03	717 08	1254 11
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00	250 00	350 00	600 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180 00	800 00	980 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	155 00	925 00	1080 00
5 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 00	180 20	1500 00	1680 20
.....	25 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 40	700 00	730 40
.....	.....	.....	.....	127 96	335 00	4550 00	5135 96	2566 00	7705 96
.....	.....	.....	.....	5 75	.....	313 75	334 50	705 00	1039 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	600 00	630 00
.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1783 47	1866 48	1828 10	2694 58
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	271 82	846 82	712 00	1058 82
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1559 73	1570 30	829 21	2399 41
.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	104 69	792 92	897 61
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	769 00	769 00	696 00	1465 00
.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79 00	.....	79 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	.....	1220 00	1250 00	850 00	2100 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	15 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	.....	80 00

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					For Education.	For Home Missions, Pennsylvania Synod.	For Home Missions, Gen. Coun. English.
Rev. A. G. Voigt	$25	.....	$26 13	$21 00	.....	.....	.....
" J. H. R. Wendel	30	$30	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
" O. D. Miller	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" J. W. Mayne	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" P. P. Wisser	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" R. M. Zimmerman	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trinity, Montour County	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Emanuel's Ch., Williamsport.	25	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manayunk Charge	50	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Danville Charge, German	25	25	26 82	28 42	.....	.....	.....
St. Peter's (Petersburg) Scranton.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Snyder County Charge	15	15	18 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roxborough	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Peter's, Snyder County	.....	.....	.....	3 25	.....	.....	.....

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.....	$5 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	$445 00	$471 13	$493 00	$964 13
$31 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61 70	.....	61 70
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 42	.....	28 42
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20 00	.....	.....	.....	$20 00	.....	.....	40 00	.....	40 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	83 25	100 00	183 25

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TABLE No. 3.

Alphabetical List of Members belonging to this Synod, with their Post-Offices and Congregations.

MINISTERS.	POST-OFFICES.	CONGREGATIONS.
Abele, J. G	Harrisburg	Zion's
Ander, T. N	Reading	Assistant to Rev. J. J. Kuendig.
Andres, W. J	Bath, Northampton County	Moorestown, Little Moore Township, Stone Church, and Snyder's.
Angstadt, T. M	Donegal, Westmorland County	Ordained at this meeting.
Anspach, J. M	Easton	Christ's.
Apple, B. F	Bangor, Northampton County	Trinity (Mission.)
Artman, H. G. B	Rajahmundry, East India	Telugu Mission.
Bauer, E. A	Hazleton	Christ's.
Baetes, J. F	Conewago	Ordained at this meeting.
Baetes, W. A	Lancaster, Ohio	
Bayer, J. F	Mahanoy, Northumberland County	St. Peter's, Himmel's, Emanuel's, St. Paul's, and David's.
Becker, J. L	Sellersville, Bucks County	St. Michael's, Christ's and Ridge Valley.
Bender, F. P	705 E. York St., Philadelphia	St. Michael's.
Berkemeyer, F.	Sellersville, Bucks County	Hilltown, Ridge Road, and Bridgetown.
Bernd, F. K	Stetlersville, Lehigh County	Jordan, Lowhill
Bernheim, G. D., D.D	Phillipsburg, N. J	Grace.
Binder, C. K	503 Linden St., Camden, N. J	Epiphany.
Bieber, I. W	Bethlehem	Trinity (Hecktown), and St. John's (Farmersville).
Bieber, Wm. J	Hellertown	Hellertown, Lower Saucon, Old Williams.
Brownmiller, E. S	Ephrata, Lancaster County	Trinity, Swamp, Schoeneck, Salem.
Bruegel, G. A	Cherryville, Northampton County	St. Paul's, St. John's, Emanuel's, East Penn.
Bruning, H. H	White Haven, Luzerne County	St. Paul's.
Buermeyer, F. F	New York, 113 E. 78th St	English Epiphany Mission, sustained by Trinity Church, N. Y.
Cassaday, E. R	Philadelphia, 842 Wharton St	St. Peter's (Mission), 8th and Reed sts., Philadelphia.
Clymer, H. T	Sand Cut, Wayne County	Grace, St. John's.
Coleman, D. L	Centre Square, Montgomery County	St. John's.
Cooper, C. J	South Bethlehem	St. Peter's, and Trinity (Freemansburg).
Cornman, W. O	Easton	Supplies Colored Church at Easton.

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Cressman, J. J	Bernville, Berks County	St. John's (Bernville), St. John's (Kutztown), and St. Paul's (Mil-
Darmstaetter, J. A.	Columbia	St. Paul's (Columbia) and Concordia (Chestnut Hill). [lersburg.
Deck, J. P.	Kimberton, Chester County	St. Peter's.
Dietrich, F. S.	Rajahmundry, East India	Telugu Mission.
Dizinger, J. C.	427 Stephens St., Camden, N. J.	Trinity.
Drumheller, C. K.	Tamaqua	Zion's and Christ's.
Duensing, H. T.	Tamaqua	St. John's-
Early, J. W.	Trevorton	Emanuel's (Trevorton), Lantz's, and St. Elias.
Emery, W. S.	Frenchtown, N. J.	[Christ's and St. John's,
Erb, I. N. S.	Orwigsburg, Schuylkill County	St. Paul's (Orwigsburg), Zion's Frieden's, Zion's (Lewistown).
Erb, J. S.	Slatington	St. John's, St. Jame's, St. Paul's, and St. Matthew's.
Erdman, A. E.	Nazareth, Northampton County	Plainfield, Bushkill Centre, Union and St. John's (Pen Argyl).
Erle, C. L.	Colley, Sullivan Connty	
Fegley, H. N.	Mechanicsburg Cumberland County	St. Mark's and St. John's.
Fegley, H. S.	Lynnville, Lehigh County	Ebenezer, Jacob's, Jerusalem, St. Paul's and St. Peter's.
Finckel, S. G.	Wilkes-Barre	St. John's.
Finfrock, A.	Womelsdorf, Berks County	Womelsdorf, Eck, Reed's, Host's, and Blue Mountain.
Fluck, J. F. C.	504 W. Cumberland St., Phila	Church of the Advent (Mission), 5th and Cumberland sts., Phila
Foust, G. D.	North Wales, Montgomery County	St. Peter's.
Fox, W. B.	Sumneytown, Montgomery County	St. John's, Sassamann's, Keeler's, and St. Mark's.
Francis, S. A. K.	1431 S. 10th St., Philadelphia	Trinity.
Frederick, G. W.	117 N. Sixth Street., Philadelphia	Proprietor Lutheran Book Store.
Fritz, J. H.	York	
Fry, C. L.	Lancaster	Assistant to Rev. E. Greenwald, D.D.
Fry, J., D.D.	Reading	Trinity. [and Birdsboro.
Gable, Z. H.	Reading	St. James', Robeson, St John's, Wyomissing, Allegheny, St. Mark's,
Gardner, G. C.	Doylestown, Ohio	Ordained at this meeting.
Gauker, Israel W.	Palmyra, Lebanon County	Campbellstown, Palmyra, Bindnagel's, and Schell's.
Gardner, G. F.	Allentown	St. Peter's.
Geiger, W. H.	Pillow, Dauphin County	Stone Valley, Vera Cruz, Georgetown, and Christ's.
Geissinger, D. H.	Easton	St. John's.
Gerhard, W., D.D.	Martinsburg, West Virginia	
Gerhard, E. H.	Phœnixville	St. John's.
Gerlach, F. R.	Norristown	St. Paul's. [Wapwallopen.
German, Jonas P.	Berwick	Mount Zion, St. James', Briar Creek, St. John's St. Paul's, and
Giesz, H.	Jonestown, Lebanon County	Zoar's Monroe Valley, St. Paul's, St. John's.

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Grahn, H.	1009 S. 4th St. Philadelphia.	Emanuel's.
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Groff, J. R.	Danville	Trinity. Supplies Trinity, Montour County, St. John's and St.
Gruhler, J.	Shenandoah City	St. John's.
Guensch, G. F. W.	Minersville, Schuylkill County.	Zion's
Hantz, J. M.	Watertown, Wis.	Professor.
Hartman, E.	Philadelphia	Christ's Chapel, North Penn. Village Chapel.
Hassler, J. W.	New Holland, Lancaster County.	Trinity.
Haupt, A. J. D.	312 Summit Av., St. Paul, Minn.	Ordained at this meeting
Heilig, Theophilus.	Stroudsburg, Monroe County.	Zion's and St. Paul's.
Heilman, U. P.	Brumfieldville, Berks County	Amityville and Friedensburg.
Henkel, D. M., D.D.	Catawissa	St. Peter's.
Hennicke, F. T.	Lock Haven	First German Evangelical Lutheran Church.
Henry, S. S.	Jersey Shore, Lycoming County	Zion's, St. James', Messiah and St. Peter's.
Hill, R.	Allentown	St. John's.
Hillpot, J.	Elizabethville, Dauphin County	St. John's, Salem's, Zion's, St. James' and Simion's.
Hinterleitner, G. A.	Pottsville	Trinity.
Hirzel, C. J.	Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia	Christ's.
Holloway, C. L.	Amity, Berks County	Ordained at this meeting.
Horak, C.	Freeland	Missionary among the Bohemians.
Horine, M. C.	Reading	St. James'.
Horne, A. R., D.D.	Allentown	Chestnut Hill, Lehigh County, Doylestown, Bucks County.
Houpt, C. E.	210 E. James St., Lancaster.	Grace. [and St. Peter's.
Humbert, D. K.	Bowers, Berks County	DeLong's, Long Swamp, Hill, Huff's, St. Paul's, New Jerusalem
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Huntzinger, F. K.	Reading	St. Luke's (Reading) Alsace and St. Peter's.
Iaeger, T. T.	Reading, 228 N. 5th St	Bern, Zion's, Oley, Salem and Ziegel's.
Isenschmid, P., M.D.	Wilmington Delaware.	Zion's.
Jacobs, H. E., D.D.	Philadelphia	Prof. of Systematic Theology in the Seminary at Philadelphia.
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Joseph, T.	Rajahmundry, East India.	Native Telugu Missionary.
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Kaehler, F. C. C.	Chicago, Ill.	Wicker Park Mission.
Kepner, D. K.	Pottstown	Emanuel's.
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Koerner, C.	134 Oak St., Chicago	Trinity.
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Kuntz, J. J.	Conyngham, Luzerne County	Christ's, St. John's, Emanuel's, Frieden's, and St. Paul's.
Laird, S.	1314 Spring Garden St., Phila.	St. Mark's.
Laitzle, W. G.	Lebanon	
Lenker, M. B.	Lykens, Dauphin County	St. John's, Trinity, St. Paul's.
Leopold, O.	Fogelsville, Lehigh County.	Fogelsville, Ziegel's, Cedarville, Morgenland and Wissenburg.
Lindenstruth, L.	Mauch Chunk	St. John's and St. John's (East Mauch Chunk).
Linsz, Aug.	1412 Tioga St., Philadelphia.	Trinity, 16th and Tioga streets, Philadelphia.
Long, A. J.	Stouchsburg, Berks County	Stouchsburg, Rehrersburg, Newmanstown, Millbach and Little Tulpehocken.
McCready, F. J. C.	Rajahmundry, India	Tulugu Missionary.
Mann, W. J., D.D.	114 N. 34 St., Philadelphia	Zion's, Professor in Theological Seminary.
Markley, A. B.	Millersville, Lancaster County	St. Paul's, Zion's and St. Michael's.
Martens, D. M.	Jonestown, Lebanon County	Zion's (Jonestown), Zion's (East Hanover), Salem's and Sattazahn's.
Martin, A., A.M.	Gettysburg	Professor in Pennsylvania College.
Mattern, J. W.	Stroudsburg	St. John's.
Mayne, J. W	Dublin.	Dublin and Tinicum.
Mayser, F. P.	Lancaster.	Zion's.
Miller, H. S.	Phœnixville	
Miller, O. D.	Hamburg	Ordained at this meeting.
Muhlenberg, F. A., D.D.	4307 Walnut St., West Philadelphia.	Greek Professor in University of Pennsylvania.
Mueller, Geo. Phil.	Marietta, Lancaster County	Zion's.
Mueller, W. A. C.	Kutztown, Berks County.	Trinity, Zion's (Moselem).

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Myers, W. H	Reading	Grace.
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Nidecker, J. E	228 Franklin St., Philadelphia	Zion's.
Ochsenford, S. E	Selinsgrove, Snyder County	First Evangelical Lutheran Selinsgrove, and Zion's, Kratzerville.
Ohl, J. F	Quakertown, Bucks County	St. John's (Quakertown), Keller's, and St Paul's (Applebachsville).
Paulus, N	Rajahmundry, East India	Telugu Missionary.
Pfatteicher, Phil	Easton	Zion's.
Pflueger, A. P	Turbotville, Northumberland Co	Zion's and Washingtonville.
Pfuhl, J. G	Harrisburg	St. Michael's.
Pick, B., Ph.D	Allegheny	
Plitt, J. K	3906 Powelton Ave., West Phila	
Pohle, Ed. H	4325 Aspen St., West Philadelphia	St. Peter's.
Poulson, I. K	Samulcotta, East India	Missionary.
Rath, J. B	Bethlehem	Grace (Treasurer of Synod).
Rath, M. O	Allentown	Solomon's.
Rath, W	Allentown	Salzburg, Zion's, Blue, Jerusalem, and St. John's (Emaus).
Rechsteiner, Joseph	Mahanoy City, Schuylkill County	Christ's, St. Peter's (Locust Valley).
Reed, D. E	Cogan Station	St Michael's.
Reed, E. L	Lancaster	Christ's.
Rehrig, W. M	Girardville, Schuylkill County	Zion's.
Reiter, D. H	Richland Centre, Bucks County	St. John's, Zion's, Emanuel's, and Christ's.
Renninger, J. S	Slatington, Lehigh County	Union, Egypt, Heidelberg, Frieden's, and St. John's.
Richards, M. H., A.M	Allentown	Professor in Muhlenberg College.
Rieb, W	140 Court St., Newark, N. J	St. John's.
Roeller, I	Kutztown, Berks County	
Rickert, W. H	Williamsport	English Evangelical Lutheran.
Rumple, J. W	Port Chester, N. Y	Teacher at Military Institute.
Sadtler, B., D.D	Allentown	President of Muhlenberg College.
Sandt, G. W	Catasauqua, Lehigh County	Trinity and St. John's (Coplay). [Salem (Donaldson).
Sanner, D	Tremont, Schuylkill County	St. John's, Frieden's (Hegin's Tp.), Frieden's (Branch Tp.), and

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Schaeffer, W. A	3815 Hamilton St., Philadelphia	St. Stephen's. [Michael's, Germantown.
Schantz, F. J. F.	Myerstown, Lebanon County	Frieden's and St. John's.
Schimpf, Matth.	Frankford, Philadelphia	Immanuel's.
Schindel, J. D.	Allentown	St. Paul's (Catasauqua), and Whitehall.
Schmauk, T. E.	Lebanon	Associate pastor with Rev. B. W. Schmauk.
Schmauk, B. W., A.M.	Lebanon	Salem's, and St. Paul's (Annville).
Schmidt, H. C	Rajahmundry, East India	Missionary.
Schmidt, H. I., D.D.	New York City	Professor emeritus.
Schmidt, J. C.	Mahanoy, Northumberland County	[St. Paul's (Upper Lehigh).
Schmidt, J. H.	Freeland, Luzerne County	St. John's (Eckley), St. Peter's (Jeddo), St. Luke's (Freeland,) and
Schmucker, B. M., D.D.	Pottstown	Church of the Transfiguration.
Seaman, George S.	Elizabethtown, Lancaster County	Christ.
Seip, Th. L., A.M	Allentown	Professor in Muhlenberg College.
Seiss, J. A., D.D.	1338 Spring Garden St., Phila	Church of the Holy Communion.
Semmel, H. E.	Lititz, Lancaster County	Brickerville, White Oak, and Rothsville.
Sibole, E. E.	516 Brown, St., Philadelphia	St. John's.
Sibole, J. Luther	1940 N. 8th St., Philadelphia	St. Luke's.
Smith, Enoch	Bethlehem	Salem's.
Smith, L.	Weatherly, Carbon County	Zion's.
Smith, O. P	Trappe, Montgomery County	Augustus, New Jerusalem, and St. Luke's.
Smith, Edgar M.	Philadelphia	
Smoll, B. S.	Klinesville, Berks County	New Bethel, Frieden's, Bethel Zion's, and Jerusalem.
Spaeth, A., D.D.	1615 Girard Ave., Philadelphia	St. John's, Christ Chapel, North Penn Village Chapel.
Spieker, G. F., A. M.	Allentown	St. Michael's.
Steck, T.	Bridgeport, N. J.	Name of Church not given. [Paul's.
Stetler, D. M.	Beavertown, Snyder County	St. John's, St. Matthew's, St. Mark's, Christ, St. James' and St.
Strauss, A. M.	Gilbert, Monroe County	Salem, Jerusalem, St. John's, St. Matthew's, St. Paul's and Christ's.
Strauss, W. H.	Lehighton	Zion's, Bensalem, St. John's, St. Peter's, and St. Paul's.
Strodach, H. B.	185 Rodney St, Brooklyn, N. Y.	
Struntz, G. A.	Pittston, Luzerne County	Pittston, Hampton, and Ransom.
Stupp, S. B.	Phillipsburg, N. J.	St. John's.
Trexler, D. D.	Bernville, Berks County	Salem, Union, Shartlesville, Lenhartsville, and Kissinger's.
Uhrich, F. H.	Myerstown	Ordained at this meeting.
Umbenhen, J. H.	Reamstown, Lancaster County	Salem's, St. John's, Bergstrass, and Muddy Creek.

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Voss, J. H.	Germania, Potter County	St. Matthew's (Germania), St. Paul's (Blosburg), and St. John's
Wackernagel, W., D.D.	Allentown	Professor in Muhlenberg College, and pastor of St. Thomas'
Walz, F.	Sellersville, Bucks County	Old Goschenhoppen, Little Zion's, and Frieden's. (Altona) and
Wampole, J. F.	Freeburg, Snyder County	Freeburg, Row's, Schnee's, Botschaft's, and Erdley's. [Jerusalem.
Weaver, W.	Phœnixville	
Weddell, A. J.	Norristown	Trinity.
Weicksel, H.	Line Mountain, Northumberland Co.	Zion's, St. John's, Klinger's, Salem, St. James', St. John's (Deep
Weiskotten, F. W.	2126 Hancock St., Philadelphia	St. James'. [Creek), St. Paul's and St. Peter's.
Welden, C. F.	913 Holly St., West Philadelphia	
Wendel, J. H. R.	Germantown	St. Thomas'.
Wenrich, S.	Dushore	Dushore Charge.
Wischan, F.	726 N. 7th St., Philadelphia	St. Paul's.
Wisser, P. P.	Mt. Joy	Ordained at this meeting.
Yingling, S.	Columbia, Lancaster County	St. John's.
Zentner, Jacob	Trenton, N. J.	Trinity.
Ziegenfuss, S. A.	Bath	St. John's (Bath) and St. John's (Howertown).
Zimmerman, R. M.	1721 N. 22d St., Philadelphia	St. Paul's.
Zizelman, Ph. Fr.	226 Mifflin Ave., Scranton	Zion's. [and Maiden Creek.
Zweizig, B. D.	Reading	St. John's, Epler's, Schwartzwald, Trinity, St. Michael's, Bellman's,
Zweizig, Martin Luther	Scranton	Trinity (Mission.)

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Explanations of Tables.

No. 1.

(1) Sustains Epiphany Mission in New York City.
(2) Reports 200 families.
(3) Report from Jan. 1, 1884, to May 31, 1884.
(4) Report for five months.
(5) Report of seven months—supplied since Jan. 1884, by Rev. F. K. Bernd.
(6) Associate pastor with Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D.
(7) Holds Kinderlehre.
(8) Report for six months.
(9) Assistant pastor of Salem (Lebanon), and Annville.
(10) In part supplied by Rev. J. R. Groff.
(11) Now served by Rev. C. K. Drumheller.

No. 2.

(1) Paid $400 to Christ Church Mission in Lancaster not included in this report.
(2) Sent $65.00 to Rev. G. H. Trabert, Minneapolis, Minn., not included in this report.
(3) $15.41 of this amount for Foreign Missions, from Sunday School at Myerstown.
(4) Contributions reported by Rev. W. J. Mann, D.D.
(5) Assistant of Rev. Dr. Greenwald, Trinity Church, Lancaster, Pa.
(6) Associate pastor of Rev. B. W. Schmauk, Salem Church, Lebanon, Pa.
(7) The $49.57 includes the amounts to the English and German Home Missions of the General Council and to Foreign Missions, also $25.00 sent to English Mission, San Francisco.
(8) $7.00 from the Parochial School, for Foreign Missions.
(9) Womelsdorf Samaritan Sunday School, $10.18; Zion's Church, $28.63; Eck, $18.00; Reed, $12.40 Host, $40.91; Blue Mountain, $17.26.
(10) $33.90 includes $18.87 of previous year.
(11) Paid $518.70 to St. Luke's Mission, Easton, Pa.
(12) The amount of Foreign Missions paid by Sunday School of Howertown.
(13) Report for six months.

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SUMMARY.

Ministers;		
Pastors of Congregations		183
Foreign Missionaries		7
Professors without Congregations		9
Aged, disabled, and without charge		21
Total		220
Congregations		387
Confirmed members		83,773
Communed		69,301
Infant baptisms		8181
Additions:		
Adult baptisms		310
Confirmations		4923
From Lutheran Churches		1352
From other Congregations		271
Total		6856
Losses:		
By death		1677
By removals and withdrawals		730
By exclusion		28
Total		2435
Sunday Schools:		
Lutheran		186
Teachers	3937	
Scholars	36,931	
Total		40,868
Other		257
Teachers	2067	
Scholars	17,338	
Total		19,405
Parochial schools		13
Teachers		24
Scholars		1200
Contributions:		
Current expenses	$216,667.83	
Benificence	147,877.74	
Total		$364,545.57

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CHARTER,

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF THE

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN MINISTERIUM

OF

PENNSYLVANIA AND ADJACENT STATES.

THE CHARTER.

An Act to Incorporate the German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States.

SECTION I. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,—That William Baetes, John C. Baker, Augustus T. Geissenhainer, Charles W. Schaeffer, and the other members of the German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the adjacent States, as contained in their Synodical Minutes for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and their successors, together with such lay delegates from the several pastoral charges comprised within the said synod as may be from time to time appointed by the aforesaid charges, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the said

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synod, shall be and are hereby constituted a body corporate, under the name, style, and title of "*The German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the Adjacent States*," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in the courts of this Commonwealth and elsewhere, to have and to use a common seal, to make and establish such by-laws and ordinances as shall be necessary and proper for the regulation of the temporal concerns of the said Ministerium, and for the promotion of religion by education, missions, and otherwise; *Provided*, that nothing shall be done in pursuance of the powers and privileges hereinbefore granted repugnant to this act, to the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth, or to the usages, principles, and doctrines of the German Evangelical Lutheran Church as explained in its symbolical books, and more especially set forth in the Unaltered Augsburg Confession, and in Luther's Small Catechism.

SECTION II. That all legacies heretofore granted to, and all property, real and personal, and mixed, now held by any person in trust for the German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the adjacent States, shall be and the same is hereby vested in the said "The German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States," as fully as though such bequests had been made or such trusts executed to the said ministerium by its corporate style and title.

SECTION III. That the said Ministerium shall elect a Senior, a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, together with any other officers that may be necessary, at such times and places, and to serve for such periods, as may be ordered by its by-laws and regulations, and that the said Ministerium may admit to its connection and to participation in its privileges, upon examination or upon dismission from other ecclesiastical bodies, such persons

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as it shall deem worthy to exercise the functions of the gospel ministry in its connection.

SECTION IV. That the said Ministerium, and their successors, by the name and style aforesaid, shall be able and capable in law to purchase, receive, hold, and enjoy all such lands, tenements, bequests, annuities, and gifts of any kind whatsoever, as may be at any time sold, conveyed, bequeathed, given, or granted to it, either absolutely or in trust, and have power to sell or otherwise dispose of the same; *Provided*, that the said corporators shall not at any time hold or absolutely possess property or estate, real, personal, and mixed, exceeding the annual value of twenty-five thousand dollars.

E. B. CHASE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. McCASLIN,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved, the seventeenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

PENNSYLVANIA, *ss.*

I do hereby certify that the foregoing and annexed is a full, true, and correct copy of the original Act of the General Assembly, as the same remains on file in this office.

{ SEAL. } IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the Secretary's Office to be affixed, at Harrisburg, this sixteenth day of May, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

E. S. GOODRICH,
Deputy Secretary of Commonwealth.

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AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER.

To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, No. 2, for the County of Philadelphia, of June Term, 1882, No. 602.

The Petition of "The German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the adjacent States," respectfully represents:

That at the (135th) one hundred and thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of the said "The German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the adjacent States," held in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, in the city of Philadelphia, commencing Thursday, June 1st, 1882, at the session held in the morning of Tuesday, June 6th, 1882, the following resolution was adopted by the said Ministerium:

"*Resolved*, That inasmuch as the name which correctly described this synod, when it was an exclusively German body, no longer does so, seeing that it is composed of ministers and congregations some of whom make use of the German language only, others of the English language, only, and still others of both these languages, steps be taken to secure such legal sanction as may be necessary for the omission of the word '*German*,' so that the title may read, '*The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States.*'"

That the said petitioners are a corporation, incorporated under and by an Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved the seven-

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teenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four (1854), P. L., 185th page.

That the said Annual Meeting of the said corporation was held after due notice of the time and place of the said meeting, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution and By-laws of the said corporation, viz., by publication of such notice by the secretaries in at least one German and one English church-paper, six weeks before the time of said meeting.

That at the said Annual Meeting, and at the said session of Tuesday morning, June 6th, 1882, a lawful quorum of the members of the said corporation were present.

Your petitioners therefore pray that if your honorable Court shall be of the opinion that such alteration of the charter of the said corporation, by the change of name as above stated, is or will be lawful and beneficial and does not conflict with the requirements of the Act of April 29th, 1874, and the Supplemental Act of April 17th, 1876, or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that your honorable Court shall direct notice of this application to be given as provided in the third section of the Act of April 29th, 1874, and that, after decree made and such amendment is recorded, the same shall be deemed and taken to be a part of the charter of the said corporation; and they will ever pray, etc.

{ SEAL. }

JOSEPH A. SEISS,
President of the Ger. Ev. Luth. Minist., of Pa., etc.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY, *ss.*

And now, this 15th day of July, A. D. 1882, the foregoing petition for the amendment of the charter of the said "The German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the adjacent States," by change of its corporate title, with the accompanying certificates, hav-

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ing been presented to me, the undersigned, a Law Judge of the said Court, accompanied by proof of publication of notice of the said application, it is ordered and decreed that the said alteration is hereby approved, and that, upon the recording thereof, the same shall be deemed and taken to be a part of the charter of the said corporation, so that the same shall thereafter be known and styled as "*The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States.*"

[SEAL.] D. NEWLIN FELL.

Recorded in the office for recording of deeds, etc., in and for the City and County of Philadelphia, in Charter Book, No. 7, page 142, etc.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office, this 19th day of July, A. D. 1882.

[SEAL.] JOHN O'DONNELL,
Recorder of Deeds.

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CONSTITUTION,

BY-LAWS, AND RULES OF ORDER.

(PROPOSED FOR ADOPTION.)

CHAPTER FIRST.

OF THE MINISTERIUM.

I. *Of the Faith.*

The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States confesses that the Canonical Books of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, given by inspiration of the Holy Ghost, and are the clear, only, and sufficient rule of faith; that the three General Creeds,—the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian,—exhibit the faith of the Church universal, in accordance with this rule; that the Unaltered Augsburg Confession is, in all its parts, in harmony with the rule of faith, and is a correct exhibition of doctrine; and that the Apology, the two Catechisms of Luther, the Smalcald Articles, and the Formula of Concord, are a faithful development and defence of the doctrines of God's Word and of the Augsburg Confession. All questions concerning the faith of the Church, its ministers or congregations, and the administration of the Word and Sacraments, shall be judged and decided according to this Rule and these Confessions.

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II. *Of the Membership.*

This Ministerium shall consist of such ordained Lutheran Ministers, and such Congregations or Parishes, in unity with the faith defined in Article I., as are or shall be regularly received into its connection, as hereinafter provided.

III. *Of the Duties and Powers.*

The objects, duties, and powers of this Ministerium are and shall be: To maintain and perpetuate the preaching of the pure Word of God and the right administration of the holy Sacraments; to uphold proper discipline, promote good order, and foster unity of spirit, harmony of action, and charity among its members; to devise and execute plans for the education and multiplication of a godly and efficient ministry; to ordain fit men to the holy office, and to suspend or depose those who dishonor it by false teaching or a wicked life; at its discretion, to receive and act on questions of doctrine, worship, duty, or discipline; to see that the provisions of its constitution, laws, agreements, and resolves are duly observed; to examine and decide on charges regularly preferred against its members; to prosecute the work of missions at home and abroad; to prepare, publish, or recommend books suitable for use in public worship and pastoral instruction; to foster institutions and agencies for the relief of poverty and suffering, especially among orphans and widows, and the families of disabled or deceased clergymen; to solicit, receive, hold, and disburse funds for these and other charitable, church, and educational purposes; to receive or dismiss ministers and congregations; to exercise supervision over all its ministers, congregations, and institutions; and to determine its connection and relations with other ecclesiastical bodies.

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CHAPTER SECOND.

Of the Distribution of Functions and Powers.

The exercise of the functions and powers of this Ministerium shall be distributed into three Departments: 1. The Synod. 2. The Ministerium in Ministerial Session. 3. The District Conferences.

I. *Of the Synod.*

1. The Synod shall consist of all the Ministers belonging to the Ministerium, together with all the lay delegates appointed by the Congregations belonging to the Ministerium.

2. All legislative and judicial powers of the Ministerium shall be vested in the Synod, excepting only the examination of questions touching the qualifications, ordination and reception of ministers, and of charges of heresy.

3. A regular Meeting of the Synod shall be held once in every year, at the time and place appointed; and one-third of the ministers belonging to the Ministerium, with the lay delegates present, shall constitute a quorum.

4. Special meetings may be called, or the time and place of the regular Meeting changed, by the President, at the request of one-fifth of the ministers, the other officers consenting; but nothing shall be transacted at a special meeting except the particular business for which it was called.

5. The time and place of the Annual Meeting shall be published by the Secretary in at least one German and one English Church paper in circulation in the Ministe-

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rium, for four weeks preceding the meeting; the same also for special meetings, at least two weeks prior to the intended meeting, with a special notice to the ministers designating the particular business to be transacted at such special meeting.

II. *Of the Ministerial Sessions.*

1. The ordained members of the Ministerium shall hold Ministerial Sessions to examine the qualifications of applicants for reception or ordination and charges of heresy in doctrine; but no other business shall be transacted in Ministerial Session, except what the Synod may refer to it as a special committee.

2. The Ministerial Sessions shall be held in connection with the Annual Meeting of the Ministerium; special meetings being subject to the same regulations as for the meetings of the Synod, and one-third of the ministers belonging to the Ministerium shall constitute a quorum.

3. At each Annual Meeting of the Ministerium the first regular Ministerial Session shall be called when the committee to examine applicants for ordination or admission into the Ministerium is prepared to report; other sessions during the Annual Meeting of the Ministerium may be called by the President, or as otherwise determined, according to necessity.

III. *Of the District Conferences.*

1. The District Conferences shall consist of the Ministers and Congregations belonging to this Ministerium, located within a given territory, as from time to time determined by the Synod.

2. Every minister belonging to the Ministerium residing within the bounds of a Conference shall belong to the

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Conference; and if any portions of a Parish are not within the boundary lines of a Conference District, the place at which the Pastor resides shall determine to which Conference he and his Parish belong.

3. Each Conference shall meet at least twice in each year, and as much oftener as circumstances may require; and one-third of the ministers belonging to a Conference, together with the lay delegates present, shall constitute a quorum.

4. Special meetings may be called by the President of the Ministerium, the President of the Conference, or as may be otherwise determined by the Conference itself.

5. The work and office of the District Conferences shall be to give attention to the local interests of the Congregations within their bounds; to assist in carrying out the regulations and resolves of the Synod; to constitute new Parishes and aid in the supply of vacant congregations with the means of grace; to examine and decide in cases of discipline, and of appeal from decisions of Church Councils; to consider and look after mission-fields, and recommend to the Executive Committee points of importance or in need of aid; to consider and discuss doctrinal, exegetical, pastoral and practical questions for instruction and edification; and to attend to such duties within their territories as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Synod.

6. The President of the Ministerium shall have a seat and vote in the meetings of each Conference, and shall be entitled to be heard on any subject engaging its attention.

7. Each Conference shall elect a President, who shall preside in its meetings and assist the President of the

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Ministerium in the oversight of the ministers and congregations within its bounds. He shall be elected annually at the first regular meeting before the Annual Meeting of the Synod.

8. In recommendations to vacant congregations, or in cases of trouble in congregations requiring official attention, the President of the Conference shall give his assistance and advice, but he shall first confer with the President of the Ministerium.

9. The President of each Conference shall make a written Report of all his official acts, with an abstract of the proceedings of the Conference, stating also the condition and wants of the Church within its bounds, and shall transmit the same to the President of the Ministerium at least three weeks preceding the Annual Meeting of the Ministerium.

10. Each Conference shall have a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to give due notice of each and every meeting, to keep and preserve a regular and accurate record of its proceedings, and bring the same to the Annual Meeting of the Synod.

11. Each Conference may also have a Treasurer to receive and disburse funds at its disposal; but no Conference shall have control of any funds of the Ministerium, or make appropriations of them.

12. The Conferences shall have power, with the consent of the congregations concerned, to alter existing pastoral charges, and to constitute new Parishes: and no Pastor shall arbitrarily add to or divide a Parish, or give up the care of a part of it, without the approval of the Conference to which he belongs.

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13. They shall have power to receive Congregations or Parishes within their territory, provided that the Constitutions of such congregations on examination are found to agree with the Confession and principles of this Ministerium; and such reception of a Congregation or Parish by a Conference shall constitute it a part of the Ministerium; but no Conference shall receive or dismiss any minister from or to another body.

14. Appeals from the disciplinary action of Church Councils shall be decided by the Conferences when regularly brought before them.

15. A Conference may adopt for itself any rules and regulations not in conflict with this Constitution and By-Laws; but all proceedings of all the Conferences shall at all times be subject to the revision of the Synod.

CHAPTER THIRD.

Of the Officers.

1. The Officers of this Ministerium shall be a Senior, a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. They shall be elected at the opening of the Annual Meeting of the Synod. Only ministers shall be eligible to these offices.

2. The term of office shall be for one year, but the same persons are re-eligible.

3. When officers are elected they shall at once enter upon their duties, except the Treasurer, whose annual

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term of office shall begin on the first day of July after his election.

4. These officers shall be entitled to the necessary expenses incident to the duties of their offices, and to such remuneration as the Ministerium shall from time to time deem just, and direct to be paid.

5. All officers of the Ministerium and of the Conferences shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

Of the President.

1. The President shall be the Senior of the Ministerium, and its Pastor-in-chief. All the members and congregations of the Ministerium shall honor him as one entrusted with the oversight, and shall regard his counsels, admonitions, and directions.

2. He shall have such knowledge of the German and English languages as shall enable him to conduct the proceedings of the Ministerium.

3. He shall preside at all the meetings of the Ministerium, and it shall be his duty to see that the Constitution, laws and decisions of the Ministerium are duly obeyed, and its resolutions carried into effect.

4. To the President shall belong the right and duty of Pastoral Visitation of the Churches belonging to the Ministerium to confer and advise with Pastors and people respecting the work, wants and interests of the Church and their own welfare.

5. It shall pertain to the President to attend to, or make appointments of committees for, the Installations

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of Pastors, the laying of Corner Stones and the Consecration of Churches; and to him shall all applications for such purposes be made; but he may refer such applications to the President of the Conference to be attended to by him.

6. At the opening of each Annual Meeting of the Ministerium, he shall deliver a Synodical Sermon, in the language used by the congregation in which the Synod convenes. If unable to fulfil this duty, he shall appoint another member to preach in his stead.

7. In connection with the Pastor of the Church in which the Ministerium convenes, he shall designate the persons to fill all appointments not otherwise provided for.

8. He shall present a written Report of all his official acts, except such as are in their nature of a pastoral and private character, during the Synodical year; also of any important events that have transpired in or with reference to the Ministerium, the condition of its various interests, together with any suggestions or recommendations which he may deem important to the Church, that the whole may be submitted to the consideration of the Ministerium.

9. He shall also have charge of the special legacies and bequests which have been or may be placed in the hands of the President, and shall collect the revenues and appropriate the proceeds of the same, using his discretion in making the appropriations, provided they be within the range of the objects for which said funds have been donated; but he shall submit his accounts for audit at each Annual Meeting of the Ministerium.

10. Should the President resign, depart this life, cease connection with the Ministerium, remove beyond its

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limits, or be disabled from attention to the duties of his office, the Secretary of the Ministerium shall call a meeting of the Executive Committee, who shall elect a President *pro tempore*, who shall exercise all the rights and functions of the office until his successor has been elected.

Of the Secretary.

1. The Secretary shall be specially charged with all the duties of the office, and shall have such knowledge of the German and English languages as shall enable him to perform them; but, upon his nomination, assistant secretaries shall be appointed, who shall perform such parts of the Secretary's work as he may assign them.

2. He shall prepare and always keep on hand a correct register of the Ministers belonging to the Ministerium, with the dates of their entrance into the Ministry, and places of residence; also, a similar register of the Parishes and congregations connected with the Ministerium, with the names of the Pastors serving them, and of the lay-delegates appointed to represent them.

3. He shall keep a faithful and accurate record of all the proceedings of the Ministerium, when in Synodical or Ministerial Session. The record shall be kept in both the English and German languages, in a separate book for each language.

4. He shall read his record of proceedings in one or both languages when called for, especially at the opening of each sitting after the first, and at the conclusion of the last, that the same may be approved or corrected.

5. He shall prepare and keep on hand a full series of the recorded or printed minutes of the Ministerium, and bring the same to the Meetings for official reference.

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6. He shall have charge of the printing of the Minutes and the distribution of the same, as the Synod shall direct.

7. He shall prepare all required official papers or documents, and deliver them duly certified by his official signature to the President, and shall in like manner attest the Protocol or written record of proceedings.

8. At the beginning of each Annual Meeting, he shall report to the Synod all items of unfinished business that may require attention.

9. At the conclusion of each Meeting of the Ministerium, he shall classify and arrange all important papers or documents placed or left in his hands, and transmit the same to the Archivarius, to be deposited in the Archives, together with a list of what is so deposited. He shall also send to the Archivarius not less than five copies of the published minutes in each language, as soon as issued each year.

10. Should the Secretary resign, depart this life, remove from the Ministerium, or be disabled from duty during the interval between its meetings, his assistant oldest in the ministry shall be Secretary *pro tempore*, and shall take charge of the Secretary's books and papers pertaining to the Ministerium, until a regular Secretary has been elected.

Of the Treasurer.

1. The Treasurer shall have the charge of all the moneys and accounts of the Ministerium, its deeds, mortgages, contracts and evidences of claims and revenues, and of its trust-funds for the various objects of Church-work, education and charity, except those specially committed to

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the President, and he shall also be the Treasurer of its Theological Seminary.

2. On entering upon his office, he shall give bond and security to the President of the Ministerium for the faithful performance of his duties, in such amount as the President and the Finance Committee shall determine.

3. He shall be responsible for the safe custody of all funds and evidences of interest and indebtedness belonging to the Ministerium, and shall hold the same at all times subject to its order, excepting only those specially committed to the President.

4. He shall receive all contributions, donations, legacies and bequests, made to the Ministerium or its Theological Seminary, collect all annuities, revenues from invested funds, or other dues to the Ministerium, and pay all regular appropriations and orders on the several accounts, according to the will of the Ministerium.

5. With the advice and consent of the Finance Committee, he shall make or change investments of funds in his charge, in the name of the Ministerium, and in conformity with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania respecting trust-funds.

6. He shall annually render a full, detailed and accurate Report, to the Ministerium, of all receipts and disbursements pertaining to the several accounts in his hands, with an abstract or statement of the financial condition of the Ministerium, which Reports shall be duly audited. He shall also prepare a tabular statement of the contributions from the several congregations or parishes for different objects for record and publication in the minutes.

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7. Should the Treasurer resign, depart this life, remove from the Ministerium, or be disabled from the discharge of his duties, during the interim between the meetings of the Ministerium, the President, shall call a meeting of the Executive Committee, which shall elect a Treasurer *pro tempore;* and the Treasurer thus appointed shall fulfil all the duties and obligations of a regularly-elected Treasurer, and the President shall take the necessary steps to secure the delivery to him of all moneys, papers and accounts of the Ministerium in the possession of the previous Treasurer.

CHAPTER FOURTH.

Of Voters and Elections.

1. Each minister belonging to this Ministerium, and each lay-delegate accredited as a representative of a Congregation or Parish connected with this Ministerium, shall be equally entitled to a voice and vote on every question to be decided by the Synod; and the delegate from the Ministerium of New York shall also have a voice and vote in this Ministerium.

2. All regular elections shall be by ballot.

3. When an election is to be held, the President shall announce it, and appoint three Tellers who shall receive and count the ballots, and report the result.

4. When a President, Secretary, or Treasurer of the Ministerium or of a Conference is to be elected, two-thirds of the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. If two

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ballotings fail to result in an election, the succeeding ballotings shall be confined to the two persons who, in the second balloting, received the highest number of votes for the same office, and no ballots cast for any other shall be counted. In the third balloting a majority of the votes counted shall elect.

5. In all other elections, the persons receiving the highest number of the votes cast shall be declared elected, provided that said number does not fall below one-third of the whole number of votes.

6. In elections requiring principals and alternates, the former shall be elected first, and the latter by a separate ballot afterwards.

CHAPTER FIFTH.

Of Committees.

I. *The Executive Committee.*

1. There shall be an Executive Committee of the Ministerium, consisting of the President, who shall be the Chairman, the Presidents of the District Conferences, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, together with ten members additional, to be elected at each Annual Meeting of the Ministerium.

2. The Executive Committee shall hold four regular meetings during the year, the first at the adjournment of the Annual Meeting of the Ministerium; the others in October, January, and April; and seven members shall

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constitute a quorum. Special meetings may be called by the President.

3. The Executive Committee shall have charge of the appropriations of moneys for the assistance of candidates for the ministry pursuing their education; also of the moneys for Home and Foreign Missions placed in the hands of the Ministerium; also of all moneys intended for the relief and support of disabled clergymen, or of needy widows or orphans of deceased clergymen.

4. The Executive Committee shall decide upon applications of candidates for the Ministry for aid from the Ministerium, and shall have the direction of the studies, and the oversight of the conduct and progress of those receiving aid in preparing for the service of the Church, according to the regulations prescribed by the Ministerium from time to time.

5. It shall also have special charge of the Missions and Missionaries within the bounds of the Ministerium, and determine the amount of assistance rendered to each; and each Missionary shall make quarterly reports to it of the condition and progress of the work in his charge. There may however be, if the Ministerium shall so determine, a special Board of City Missions for Philadelphia, or one for each language, which special Board, or Boards, under the Executive Committee, shall have the charge of Missions in said city, and shall report to the Executive Committee what appropriations are needed from time to time, which appropriations, subject to the judgment of the Executive Committee, shall be made by said Executive Committee.

6. The Executive Committee shall have power to elect its own Secretary and all necessary sub-committees from

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among its members for the performance of its duties. It shall also determine the amount of salary to be paid to any officer of the Ministerium entitled thereto when it is not otherwise determined, and shall make the appropriations to meet its necessary expenses, and those of its members incurred in the discharge of their official duties.

7. All moneys in the hands of the Treasurer, not otherwise designated or appropriated for specific objects, shall be at all times subject to the disposal of the Executive Committee for such purposes of Missions, Education, Charity, or Church work, connected with the Ministerium or the General Body to which it belongs, as may be most in want, or where, in the judgment of the Committee, it will be of the greatest advantage.

8. The Executive Committee shall make Report at each Annual Meeting of the Ministerium of all its doings during the year, of the Students and Missions under its care, of the appropriations and expenditures it has made, with such recommendations to the Ministerium, as it shall deem important in the department of its work.

9. The Executive Committee shall also make the arrangements with regard to the subjects to be presented on the otherwise unoccupied evenings during the meetings of the Ministerium, and appoint the speakers for the occasions

II. *Of the Examining Committee.*

1. The President, at the conclusion of each Annual Meeting of the Ministerium, shall appoint a Committee of not less than seven discreet and well-qualified clergymen of the Ministerium to serve as the Examining Committee for the ensuing year.

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2. If any member thus appointed decline to serve, he shall give timely notice to the President, who, in such case, shall appoint another to fill the vacancy; and in case of the disability, death, or unavoidable absence of any member, the President shall designate some other to serve in his stead.

3. The duty of this Committee shall be to examine into the qualifications and fitness of applicants for ordination, also to confer with, and examine credentials of all ordained ministers who apply for admission into this body, as provided below in the chapter "Of the Examination and Reception of Members," and report the results at the first Ministerial session during the Annual Meeting of the Ministerium.

4. The Examining Committee shall meet for the examination of candidates for ordination on the day preceding the Annual Meeting of the Ministerium.

5. When the Examining Committee is clear that the requirements of this Constitution and By-laws are fulfilled in the case of any applicant, it shall recommend his ordination or reception; but in no case shall it recommend an applicant of whose fitness or qualifications it is not satisfied.

III. *Of the Finance Committee.*

1. The Ministerium, at each Annual Meeting, shall appoint three competent and discreet laymen, living within easy reach of each other, to serve as a Finance Committee to advise and assist the President and Treasurer in the management and security of its funds and properties not otherwise provided for by resolution of the Synod.

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2. Whenever it becomes necessary to sell, convey, or transfer any real property owned or held by this Ministerium, to assign, transfer or extinguish any ground-rent or rents, or to assign or satisfy of record any mortgage or mortgages, judgment or judgments owned or held by this Ministerium, the President of the Ministerium, or, in the event of his absence or disability, the Treasurer of the Ministerium, is authorized,—when requested by a resolution or decision of the Finance Committee, duly evidenced by the signatures of a majority of the said Committee,—in the corporate name of the Ministerium, to sign, affix the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver to any person or persons or corporation whatsoever, such deed or deeds or other assurances in the law necessary to sell and convey a good and indefeasible title, in fee simple or otherwise, for such real property; to assign or extinguish such ground-rent or rents, or to assign or satisfy of record such mortgage or mortgages, judgment or judgments; provided, however, that any real property in actual use and occupation by the Ministerium, or any of its Institutions, or held for such intended use or occupation, shall not be sold or conveyed except as ordered and directed by special resolution at any meeting of the Ministerium.

3. It shall be the duty of this Committee to make an annual examination of all deeds, mortgages, securities, obligations, contracts, and policies of insurance in the custody of the President and Treasurer, the property of or held by the Ministerium. They shall also inspect the mode in which the accounts are kept, and certify the results of such examination and inspection in their Report.

4. The Finance Committee shall regularly organize, preserve minutes of its decisions and acts, and report

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an abstract of the same at each Annual Meeting of the Ministerium.

IV. *Of the Committee on Memoirs.*

1. The President shall annually appoint a Committee, of not less than five clergymen, whose duty it shall be to procure and present to the Ministerium short biographical sketches or memoirs of ministerial members who have departed this life during the year.

2. It shall be sufficient to present such sketch or memoir in one language, and when presented it shall become the property of the Ministerium, and shall be placed in the hands of the Secretary, to be transmitted to the Archivarius and placed in the archives.

CHAPTER SIXTH.

Of Institutions.

I. *Of the Theological Seminary.*

1. This Ministerium, aided by others, maintains a Theological Seminary for the special education and training of young men for the Gospel ministry.; and forbids its members to assume the work of privately preparing candidates for the holy office without its authorization, or special permission from the President.

2. The Seminary is part of the body corporate of this Ministerium, without separate Charter or independent existence, and all donations, bequests or devises made to the Evangelical Lutheran Seminary at Philadelphia, are

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and shall be in trust of "The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States," for its Theological Seminary.

3. The management and administration of the Seminary shall be conducted by a Board of Directors under a constitution, rules, and regulations made and provided by this Ministerium.

4. The Board of Directors of the Seminary shall make Annual Report to the Ministerium of all its proceedings, and of the state of the Institution committed to its care, stating also in each report what vacancies in the Directorship are to be filled, and whatever matters concerning the Institution may require action on the part of the Ministerium.

II. *Muhlenberg College.*

1. Muhlenberg College, established for the general culture of all who desire to avail themselves of it in securing a liberal education, is connected with this Ministerium, which elects the Board of Trustees for the government and control of said Institution under its separate and independent Charter from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

2. The Board of Trustees of the College shall make Annual Report to the Ministerium, of the state of the Institution under its care and control, stating also in each report what vacancies in the Trusteeship are to be filled.

III. *Of Orphans' Homes.*

1. This Ministerium also fosters and aids the Orphans' Home and Asylum for the Aged and Infirm, located in Germantown, Philadelphia. Though an Institution separately chartered by the Commonwealth, the

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Ministerium elects six of the Trustees to whose care and control it is committed by and under its charter.

2. The Trustees of said Home and Asylum shall make Annual Report to the Ministerium of the condition of the Home, also stating in each report what vacancies, if any, in the Trusteeship are to be filled by the Ministerium.

3. This Ministerium also appoints a Committee of Visitors to the Emmaus Orphanage, at Middletown, Lancaster County, Pa., maintained under the will of Mr. Frey, deceased; which Committee shall make Annual Report to the Ministerium concerning the condition and administration of said Orphanage.

CHAPTER SEVENTH.

Of the Examination and Reception of Members.

1. All applications for Ordination, or for reception of Ministers into this Ministerium, shall be made to the President and referred to the Examining Committee, which shall report on the same at the Ministerial Session. And upon the recommendation of two-thirds of the Ministers present, the final decision shall be made by the Synod.

2. Every candidate applying for Ordination must be of good natural ability, and give satisfactory evidence of Christian character and life, as well as of attainment in knowledge and grace; and no one shall be ordained without being examined as to his fitness, qualifications

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for, and call to the holy ministry, nor until he is twenty-one years of age.

3. Candidates shall give notice to the President of their intended application prior to the meeting of the Ministerium, and shall present themselves at the given time and place before the Examining Committee.

4. The examination of candidates for Ordination, besides the practical mastery of the language or languages in which they expect to preach, shall include Biblical Introduction; Apologetics; Exegesis of the Old and New Testament—Hebrew and Greek; Doctrinal and Moral Theology; Church History, with History of Doctrines; Homiletics; Catechetics; Pastoral Theology; Personal Religion, and Motives for Seeking the Holy Office.

5. No exception to this rule, or abatement of these requirements shall be made, except only in special cases in which the applicant is, by general qualifications, eminently fitted to be useful in the ministry, and engages to use his diligence in acquiring a knowledge of those subjects in which he is deficient.

6. The examination shall be made by the Examining Committee, but shall be open to all members of the Ministerium who wish to be present.

7. When the Examining Committee has reported favorably in the case of candidates before them, the vote shall be taken on the question of the approval of each applicant, and if two-thirds of the Ministers present be favorable to a candidate, he shall be recommended to the Synod for Ordination by the Officers of the Ministerium, and when ordained he shall be a regular member thereof,

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and an attested certificate of his Ordination shall be given him.

8. Any regularly ordained Minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, whether ordained in this or some foreign country, who may apply for admission into this Ministerium, shall furnish satisfactory evidence of his ordination, and of his good and unblemished Christian character; he shall also be subject to a Colloquium with the Examining Committee as to his agreement with the Confession and usages of this Ministerium; and if, on favorable report from the Examining Committee, two-thirds of the Ministers present approve, he shall be recommended to the Synod for reception.

9. Any Minister of other than Lutheran connection, who may apply for membership in this Ministerium, shall be subject to the same regulations; and the Ministers present shall determine what further, if anything, is expedient or necessary, in view of his previous connections.

10. When the Synod has decided to receive ordained Ministers into connection with this Ministerium, the Examining Committee shall present them to the President, who shall announce to them the decision in their case, and by subscribing to the Constitution and By-laws they shall become members in full of this Ministerium.

11. When the Synod has decided to admit applicants to Ordination, they shall in like manner be presented to the President, who shall announce to them the decision in their case, inform them of the time when their Ordination to the Holy Ministry shall take place, admonish them to due solemnity and earnestness in taking upon them the obligations and duties of ambassadors of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by their Ordination, and sub-

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scribing the Constitution and By-laws, they shall become members in full of this Ministerium.

12. The Ordination Services shall consist of a regular Church Service, the preaching of an Ordination Sermon, and the act of Ordination by the laying on of hands according to the prescribed order.

13. Any Congregation which maintains a constitution in accord with what this Ministerium confesses and accepts in Chapter First, Article I., may become an integral part of the Ministerium on application to it, or to the Conference within the bounds of which such Congregation is located, by presenting a copy of its constitution, and sending a delegate to represent it; and a majority of the votes of the Synod or Conference at any regular meeting shall suffice for its reception.

CHAPTER EIGHTH.

Of Ministers.

1. Ministerial members of this body become such by Ordination or transfer, as provided in the chapter "Of the Examination and Reception of Members." They become Pastors by being called and entrusted with the care of congregations.

2. Until a Minister has entered upon a specific sphere of labor he shall do such ministerial work as may be assigned him by the President.

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3. Every Minister belonging to this Ministerium shall conform, in his preaching and teaching, to the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. It shall be the duty of every Pastor to preach the Word, and administer the Sacraments; to care for, and be an example and guide to the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made him overseer; to give catechetical instruction to the young, and to candidates for Church membership; baptize, confirm, visit the sick, bury the dead, install regularly elected members of the Church Council, and, together with the Council, administer discipline, oversee Sunday and other schools belonging to the congregation, and use his best endeavors to extend and build up the Church in the community in which he is located as Pastor.

4. Every Pastor shall keep accurate parochial records of all his baptisms and confirmations; of members received, dismissed, deceased, or expelled; and of marriages and burials, together with the names of all communicant members belonging to his Parish. The records of each congregation shall be kept in separate books, and these books shall be and remain the property of the congregation; but an abstract of them shall be annually reported to the Ministerium for insertion in the schedule of Parochial Reports.

5. It should be the aim of each Pastor to confine his ministrations to one congregation, or to the smallest number of congregations circumstances will allow, that divine service may be held in each congregation on each Lord's Day. And where large parishes exist, consisting of so many congregations as to render this impossible, the pastors of them shall earnestly co-operate with each other and with their Conference, in securing divisions into smaller parishes, and shall encourage their

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members to make better provision for their spiritual wants and those of their children.

6. Every Pastor shall diligently endeavor to increase the interest of his congregation in the progress and development of the Church, the manifestation of enterprise, liberality, and charity, especially in church extension, education, missions, the bringing forward of young men for the holy ministry, the provision for widows and orphans, and the circulation and reading of the Scriptures, good books, and the publications of the Church.

7. No Minister belonging to this Ministerium shall be permitted to preach or perform any ministerial duty within the Parish of a Brother, except at his request, or with his consent; nor shall he be permitted to visit and perform ministerial duty in a vacant Parish or congregation except by invitation of the Church Council, or by the advice and consent of the President of the Ministerium or Conference; otherwise he shall be subject to discipline.

8. Every minister receiving and accepting a call to be the Pastor of a Parish belonging to this Ministerium, shall inform the President of the Ministerium of the fact, but no Pastor shall be installed until he has been regularly received into the Ministerium, except with the written consent of the Presidents of the Ministerium and Conference, which consent may be given if the minister belong to a Synod connected with the General Council.

9. Should a Pastor deem it his duty to resign his charge, he shall duly inform the Church Council before vacating his place, and when his final decision is made, he shall at once report the same to the President of the Ministerium.

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10. Should a Minister belonging to this Ministerium, for any cause find himself constrained to demit the regular duties of the ministry, and to cease ministerial activity, he shall ask the decision of the Ministerium as to whether he may remain a member. Engagement in any business or office foreign to the nature of the ministry, or incompatible with it, shall be sufficient reason why he should not be continued on the list of Ministers.

11. If any Minister in good and regular standing desires to remove from the bounds of this Ministerium in order to enter a field of labor within some Synod in the same fellowship of faith with this body, he shall, upon application, be entitled to a certificate of honorable dismission, which the President shall furnish him; but any Minister so dismissed shall be amenable to this body until formally received into the Synod to which he has been granted dismission. But if the request for dismissal be to connect with a body not in doctrinal accord with this Ministerium, the President may give a certificate of good standing up to the time of said request, and of the cessation of the applicant's connection with this body as soon as he shall have been formally received by another.

12. It shall be required of all Ministers belonging to the Ministerium to attend upon all its Synodical and Ministerial Sessions and the meetings of the Conferences to which they belong, from commencement to end; and nothing but urgent necessity or positive inability to attend shall be regarded as a valid excuse for absence. In case of unavoidable absence the absentee shall send to the meeting an account of the reason for his absence, that he may be regularly excused; and repeated absence without excuse shall subject the offender to discipline.

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13. It shall be the duty of all the Ministers belonging to this Ministerium to exercise and cherish the spirit of respect, brotherly-love, unity, and good-fellowship, one toward another, as laborers together in the same vineyard, children of the same Father, and servants of the same Lord Jesus Christ, in whom standeth each one's salvation.

CHAPTER NINTH.

Of Congregations.

1. It shall be the duty of every Parish belonging to the Ministerium to appoint a Delegate to represent it in the meetings of the Ministerium and of the Conference; each Parish being entitled to as many lay-representatives as it has Pastors.

2. Delegates sent to represent Parishes must be regular communicant members. They shall have the same rights and privileges as ministers on the floor of the Synod and Conference, their election being duly certified.

3. The appointment of a Delegate to represent a Congregation or Parish in the Convention of the Ministerium shall hold good for one year and constitute him the Delegate to the meetings of Conference also, unless otherwise arranged and determined by the Parish appointing him.

4. Every Congregation belonging to the Ministerium, as it has a share in all its legislation, shall be dutiful to its constitution and recommendations, and endeavor to conform to them and to carry them into effect.

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5. It shall be the duty of each Congregation belonging to the Ministerium to make annual contributions to its Treasury, and to make arrangements by which every member shall have opportunity to give according to ability to the various benevolent operations of the Ministerium.

6. It shall also be the duty of each Congregation belonging to this Ministerium to make due and liberal provision for the support of the Gospel and the ministration of the Word and Sacraments among its own members, to endeavor to arrange for at least one service every Lord's Day, to see that the Pastor whom it has called be properly supported, according to 1 Cor. ix., 7–14, and to make all necessary provision for the instruction of the young, that they may grow up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

7. In cases of vacancy, difficulty, or strife in Congregations, Church Councils should not act precipitately, but seek the instruction and advice of the President of the Conference or Ministerium.

8. Each Congregation belonging to this Ministerium shall likewise endeavor to conform its public worship and ministrations to the recommendations of the Synod.

9. Should any portion of a Congregation belonging to this Ministerium reject the faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church as set forth in her Confessions, that part of the said Congregation which remains faithful to this faith and its connection with this Ministerium shall be recognized as the real Congregation.

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CHAPTER TENTH.

Of Discipline.

I. *Of Offences.*

The Offences for which members of this Ministerium shall be subject to discipline, are:

1. With reference to purity of Doctrine,—Denial of any doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures, and set forth in the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church,—the holding, preaching, and public teaching of heresy.

2. With reference to purity of life,—Any conduct which is incompatible with moral purity or with the character of the Ministerial Office.

3. With reference to the Government and Order of the Church,—Disregard and violation of the Constitution and requirements of the Ministerium.

II. *Of Penalties.*

1. *As respects Ministers*, the penalties which may be imposed are:

(1.) Private censure and admonition by the President.

(2.) Public censure and admonition in any session of the Ministerium or Conference.

(3.) Suspension from the office and functions of the Ministry for a designated period, or until after satisfactory showing of repentance and amendment.

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(4.) Expulsion from the Ministerium.

(5.) Deposition from the Ministerial office.

2. *As to Congregations.* Should any Congregation belonging to this Ministerium turn away from the Confession or Faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, or violate the Constitution and requirements of the Ministerium, and persist in such disloyalty after proper endeavors of the President, Conference, and Ministerium to restore it, the Synod may exclude it from membership.

III. *Of Processes against a Minister.*

1. If serious accusation be lodged against a Minister before a Church Council by three members in good standing in the Congregation, the Council shall confer with him about the same, and endeavor to obviate all just cause of complaint, and to reconcile all parties; nor shall any further steps be taken until all proper efforts to this end on the part of the Church Council have been exhausted.

2. If, upon credible testimony, a Minister is believed to be guilty of any of the offences above named, the Church Council shall report his case to the President of the Ministerium; but the charges must be in writing, must be specific, and must be founded on the testimony of two or three credible witnesses, and signed by them.

3. If a Minister be charged with some specific sin not in the manner aforesaid, but by notorious rumor, which is not transient, but continues and strengthens, and is accompanied with strong presumption of guilt, the Church Council shall endeavor to remove the scandal; and if they fail, or find evidences of guilt, they shall report the case to the President of the Ministerium.

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4. If accusation against a member of this Ministerium be lodged with the President by a Church Council, or by three members of the Ministerium, he shall at once communicate with the accused respecting it; and, if the accused should desire an investigation, or if the state of the case be such as to call for it, the President, with the advice and consent of the President of the Conference to which the accused belongs, shall order an investigation by the Conference or by a competent committee, and cite the accused to appear before it to answer with reference to the matter.

5. When such an investigation is appointed, a copy of the complaints against the accused shall be furnished him, allowing him not less than ten days between the time of his citation and the time appointed for the hearing; and if the accused should refuse or fail to appear without presenting adequate reasons why the investigation should be deferred to another time, it shall proceed the same as though he were present.

6. If the findings in such an investigation show gross immorality, or flagitious transgression, the same shall at once be reported to the President of the Ministerium, who shall, with the concurrence of the President of the Conference to which the accused belongs, immediately suspend him from the office and functions of the ministry until his case has been finally decided by the Ministerium.

7. If the findings are of a character to demand no higher penalty than that of private censure and admonition by the President, or public censure and admonition before the Conference, the same shall be administered without further proceedings; but should they be of a more serious character, besides reporting the case to the

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President, the Conference or Committee making the investigation shall formulate the charges and specifications against the accused, and present the same to the President of the Ministerium, who shall furnish a copy to the accused not less than twenty days before the meeting of the Ministerium, at the same time citing him to appear at said meeting for a final hearing and decision of his case.

8. Both in the investigation and the final trial of charges against a Minister, all relevant testimony shall be heard, and in the presence of the accused, if he desire it. He shall also have the right and opportunity of being fully heard in his own defence; but he shall not be allowed to appear and defend himself by legal counsel before the Committee, Conference, or Ministerium.

9. After the hearing of the charges, the testimony, and the defence of the accused, the question shall be taken on which and how many of the charges and specifications the accused is guilty or not guilty. If the majority shall decide that he is not guilty, the President shall at once announce to him the decision. If the majority shall declare him guilty on the evidence presented, the Ministerium shall determine which of the penalties above described shall be imposed upon him, and the President shall pronounce the sentence in the presence of the body, if possible also in the presence of the person adjudged guilty, and a copy of the sentence shall be given him.

10. The proceedings in a case of discipline shall not be published, in part or in whole, before the final decision is reached, and the result officially declared.

11. No Minister or layman under discipline, or sentence of suspension, shall hold any office of the Minis-

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terium, or serve as Delegate, Director, or Trustee under its appointment so long as he is under discipline or suspension; and every Committee, Board, Delegation, or body of appointees, constituted by this Ministerium, shall see to the enforcement of this rule.

12. It shall also be the duty of all Pastors and Congregations belonging to this Ministerium to respect the disciplinary action of the Ministerium, and of one another; and for any Pastor or Congregation to set aside or disregard any such disciplinary action shall be deemed a violation of order, and shall subject the offender to discipline.

13. In case of strife between Ministers, or between a Minister and his Congregation which the Church Council cannot remedy, complaint may be made to the President of the Ministerium, who shall confer with the parties and endeavor to heal the trouble. If unsuccessful, and the matter in his judgment requires official adjudication, he shall report it to the Conference to act in the case; but an appeal from the decision of the Conference may be taken to the Ministerium.

IV. *Of Appeals.*

1. A Minister may appeal from the decision of a Conference to the Ministerium, provided such appeal be taken within two months of such decision; it must be in writing, and be presented to the President at least twenty days before the meeting at which action is to be taken upon it, who shall cause the President and members of the Conference to be notified of its presentation and contents.

2. If a member of a Congregation should feel aggrieved and wronged by the decision of the Church Council, in

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a case of discipline, an appeal from it may be made to the Conference to which the Congregation belongs, provided that it be made within thirty days after the action complained of; but the appeal must be in writing, and set forth the grounds on which it is based, and must be presented to the President of the Conference at least ten days before any meeting at which action is taken upon it, and in that case it shall be his duty to cause a copy of the appeal to be furnished at once to the President of the Church Council concerned.

3. The Conference may hear the case of an appeal as a body, or refer the hearing of it to a competent Committee; but the investigation shall be confined to the constitutionality of the proceedings, the original charges, and the justice of the sentence. The same provisions and rules prescribed for conducting the trial of a Minister, except as herein otherwise provided, shall obtain also in this instance.

4. When a Conference has decided upon such a case of appeal it shall not be re-opened for a further hearing, except on points of error in the proceedings, which may be appealed to the Ministerium for decision, and when such points of error have been decided by the Ministerium, if against the Conference, the case shall go back to the Conference for the necessary correction.

CHAPTER ELEVENTH.

Of the Order of Business.

1. Each regular Meeting of the Ministerium shall begin with the prescribed Morning Service, in connection with the Sermon by the President, and include the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

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2. The Synod shall be formally opened by the President, assisted by the other officers of the Ministerium, at the time and place appointed, and be closed at the final session, according to the prescribed order. Other sessions shall be opened and closed with devotional service, conducted by the President, or such person as he shall appoint for the purpose.

3. After the formal opening the Secretary shall call the roll of the Ministers belonging to the Ministerium, and note those present or absent; then he shall call the roll of Congregations or Parishes belonging to the Ministerium, and enter the names of Delegates appointed to represent them; but such Delegates shall present testimonials of their appointment before their names are enrolled as Members of the Synod; then he shall also call for and enter upon the roll the name of any Delegate from another Synod entitled to a voice or vote in this Ministerium. Ministers or Delegates arriving after the first calling of the roll shall report themselves to the Secretary that they may be entered as present.

4. If one-third of the Ministers belonging to the Ministerium be not present at the time and place appointed for a meeting, the President shall adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum be assembled.

5. The Order of Proceedings shall be as follows:

I. *Official Reports.*

(1.) Report of the President, followed by the election of President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

(2.) Report of the Treasurer, and reference of the same to an Auditing Committee.

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(3.) Report of the Finance Committee, and appointment of Committee.

(4.) Report of the Executive Committee, followed by the election of members to serve with the officers on said Committee.

(5.) Report of the Board or Boards of City Missions, if such be in existence, followed by the election of members to constitute the same.

(6.) Report of the Secretary on Unfinished Business.

(7.) Report of Directors of the Theological Seminary, followed by the election of Directors.

(8.) Report of Trustees of the College, followed by the election of Trustees.

(9.) Report of Trustees of Orphan's Home and Asylum, followed by the election of Trustees.

(10.) Report of Delegates to the General Body to which the Ministerium belongs, followed by the election of Delegates.

(11.) Report of Delegate to the Ministerium of New York, followed by the appointment of Delegate.

(12.) Reports of Delegates to other bodies.

(13.) Report of Archivarius, followed by the appointment of an Archivarius.

II. *Reports of Committees.*

(1.) Report of Committee on Biographical Sketches or Memoirs of Deceased Members.

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(2.) Report of Committee on Systematic Beneficence, and appointment of Committee.

(3.) Report of Committee of Visitors to the Emmaus Orphanage, and appointment of Committee.

(4.) Reports of special Committees under appointment from preceding Meetings.

III. *Reports of Committees Appointed during the Session to Report during the Session.*

(1.) Committee on the President's report.

(2.) Committee to audit the President's accounts.

(3.) Committee to audit Treasurer's accounts.

(4.) Committees on special subjects.

IV. *Miscellaneous Business.*

V. *Adjournment.*

6. After the reading of the President's Report, and the ballots for the officers to be elected have been cast, the business shall proceed in the regular order while the ballots are being counted by the tellers, and the officers shall continue in their places until their successors are elected.

7. Any papers, memorials, applications for reception, etc., intended for the Ministerium, shall be presented to the President at as early a period as possible, that proper attention may be given to the same.

8. When the election of Officers has been announced, the President, together with the Presidents of the Con-

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ferences, shall arrange all papers and documents presented to the Ministerium, and constitute the necessary Committees to take charge of and report upon them. These appointments shall include Committees on Reports, on the Reception of Congregations, on the Proceedings of Conferences, on Parochial Tables, on Excuses of Absent Members and Leave of Absence, and, if necessary, on Cases of Discipline, and on Ministerial Business.

9. All business and reports must be in readiness when the subject to which they relate has been reached in the Order of Business, and officers or committees shall not be allowed more time except by a vote of the body; and all that relates to an item of business shall be disposed of when that item has been reached in the regular order, and shall not be introduced at any other time except by vote of the body.

10. Unless otherwise directed by the Ministerium, the President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall designate the time or times when the Pastors shall present to the Secretary their Parochial Reports according to the schedule provided, and when Pastors or Delegates shall report to the Treasurer what moneys the Congregations or Parishes have contributed during the Synodical year.

CHAPTER TWELFTH.

Of The Archives.

1. The Ministerium shall have common Archives for all its proceedings, whether in Synodical or Ministerial Sessions, or the District Conferences. They shall be kept

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and preserved at a safe place determined by the Ministerium, and not be removed except by its authority.

2. In the Archives shall be carefully preserved full sets of the printed minutes of the Ministerium in whatever languages they may be printed; also the Protocol when a volume is full; also the books of the minutes of Conferences, which the Secretaries of the Conferences shall place in the hands of the Archivarius as said books become filled up; also all important letters, papers, documents, memorials, complaints, etc., presented at the Sessions of the Ministerium or Conferences, together with all official answers, opinions and proceedings upon the same; also all memoirs or biographical notices of deceased members of the Ministerium presented at its meetings.

3. The Ministerium shall annually appoint an Archivarius, or Keeper of the Archives, who shall have charge of the same, keep them in order, see to their proper preservation, make annual report to the Ministerium upon their condition, and carry out the will of the Ministerium respecting them. He shall continue in office until his successor has been appointed.

4. No paper or record belonging to the Archives shall be given away or destroyed; nor be loaned out by the Archivarius, except by authority of the President and Secretary.

5. Every member of the Ministerium shall have free access to the Archives, and permission may be given to proper persons to consult the same for historical information; but access to the Archives shall not be permitted in any case except in the presence of the Archivarius, his assistant, or one of the Officers of the Ministerium.

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CHAPTER THIRTEENTH.

Of The Seal and of this Constitution and By-laws.

1. The Seal of this Ministerium presents a vineyard, with some vines erect and others prostrate. On one side a hand projects from the clouds holding a pruning knife to prune the standing vines. On the other side a similar hand projecting from the clouds is engaged raising the prostrate vines. Over the vineyard is the sun approaching the zenith; and around all is the legend: Sig. Minist. Evang. Luth. in Pennsylv. et Stat. Vicin.

2. The Seal shall be in the charge of the President of the Ministerium, who shall affix it, or cause it to be affixed to all documents, certificates, deeds, legal papers, or official copies of resolutions, requiring the Seal of the ministerium.

3. Everything in any resolutions, enactments, Constitution or By-laws of this Ministerium, or of its Conferences, differing from or in conflict with the foregoing Constitution and By-laws, is hereby superseded, repealed, and of none effect.

4. The provisions and ordinances contained in the foregoing Constitution and By-laws of this Ministerium, in so far as the same are severally applicable, shall be of like force in the government of the Synod, the Ministerial Sessions, and the District Conferences.

5. The Constitution and By-laws of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and Adjacent States, shall not be altered, amended, added to, or diminished, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members

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present at a regular Annual Meeting, and provided that such proposed alteration or amendment be moved and presented by not less than three members at a previous Annual Meeting.

CHAPTER FOURTEENTH.

Of Rules of Order.

I. *Duties and Privileges of the President.*

1. The President shall conduct all business according to the Constitution and Rules of the Ministerium, and insist upon the observance of the same on the part of every member; and shall promptly and firmly call to order any member who violates any rule of order.

2. He shall have the right to speak on points of order in preference to all others, and shall decide all questions of order; an appeal if seconded, may be made from his decision to the body, and in that case all remarks, except for explanation, shall cease until the vote is taken on the question: "Shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the house?"

3. He shall call up all items of business in their appointed order, see that every matter before the body is duly considered and understood before a decision is made, and endeavor to conduct the same to a speedy and proper result.

4. He may take part in the discussion of any subject before the body; but in doing so, he shall leave the chair

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and appoint some one to occupy it for the time in his stead.

5. When a matter before the body is clearly understood, and no one desires to speak further upon it, or the body has decided to close debate, he shall take the vote upon it by calling for the *Ayes* and *Noes*. In case of doubt as to the vote, or if a division be called for, he shall call upon the *Ayes* and *Noes* in succession to stand up until counted; or if five members request it, the roll shall be called, and the *Ayes* and *Noes* recorded on the minutes.

6. In case of an equal division of the house on any question, if the President has not already voted, he shall decide.

7. When an election is to be held, he shall name the Tellers, and also all Committees to be appointed, unless otherwise provided.

II. *Of Motions.*

1. A matter to be properly before the body must be presented by report, proposition, or resolution, moved, seconded, and distinctly repeated.

2. All important propositions or motions must be presented in writing, and when seconded shall at once be placed in the hands of the Secretary as the property of the body.

3. When a motion is made and seconded, if objection be made to the consideration of it, the question shall be put to vote: "Shall it be considered and discussed?" and, if the decision be in the negative, the motion cannot be entertained.

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4. When a motion made and seconded has in it two or more points capable of separation, the question, at the request of any member, shall be divided, and the vote taken on each point separately.

5. A motion or proposition before the body may at any time during the discussion of it be withdrawn by the mover, provided no objection be made to such withdrawal. The body may also volunteer its permission to the mover to withdraw his motion, which shall be equivalent to a refusal further to consider it.

6. Amendments to any motion or proposition before the body are always in order, whether to strike out, add to, or change any part, or to present a substitute for the whole; provided, that the amendment or substitute be germane to the subject, and that the amendment proposed does not go beyond an amendment to an amendment.

7. When the question has been taken on any motion or proposition it is disposed of, and no further discussion shall be allowed; but if it be manifest that there has been a mistake, the vote may be retaken at the time, or any member who voted with the majority may move a re-consideration, which, if agreed to, re-opens the whole subject as at the point when the vote upon it was taken.

8. When a motion is made and carried which involves the appointment of a Committee, it shall not follow as a matter of right that the mover be made chairman or even a member of that Committee.

9. When a motion is made for the appointment of a Committee the mover may suggest names of persons to

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be placed upon it; but it shall not be in order for him to insert the names in his motion or resolution.

III. *Of Privileged and other Questions.*

1. When a question is before the body and under discussion, no motion shall be in order except a motion—

(1.) To adjourn;
(2.) To lay on the table;
(3.) To close debate;
(4.) To postpone indefinitely.

On either of these motions the question shall be taken without discussion or debate.

(5.) To postpone to a definite time;
(6.) To refer;
(7.) To amend;
(8.) To substitute.

All these motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here given; but any one of them may be made at any stage of the discussion.

2. A motion to adjourn is always in order except when a member is speaking, or when a vote is being taken.

3. A motion to refer or to amend shall preclude debate on the main question until the question of reference or amendment has been decided.

4. When a motion to lay on the table, or to postpone indefinitely, has been passed, the matter shall not again be called up during that meeting.

5. In the filling of blanks, the largest sum, the highest number, or the longest time named, shall be voted on

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first; and names shall be voted on in the order in which they are proposed.

6. When a decision has been reached on any motion or proposition, it shall not be called up again at the same meeting, except on motion to reconsider, made and seconded by members who voted with the majority; but no motion to reconsider shall be entertained unless the parties concerned be still present.

IV. *Of Committees and their Reports.*

1. The person first named on a Committee shall be the Chairman thereof, who shall convene the Committee at such time and place as he may elect; in case he cannot serve, the Committee itself may select its chairman.

2. Committees shall be prepared to Report in the prescribed order; their Reports must be signed by a majority of the members, and be presented in the German and English languages.

3. When, in addition to the Report of the Majority of a Committee, there is also a Report of the Minority, the former shall be read first, and laid on the table until the latter has also been read, when either shall be taken up as, on motion, the body may decide.

4. A Report when read, shall be before the body for consideration, and shall be acted on according to the pleasure of the house. It may be adopted as a whole, or item by item, altered, amended, recommitted, or laid on the table; but when or in whatever form it is adopted, it becomes the expression and action of the body.

5. When a Report or a series of propositions has been adopted, item by item, and all proposed amendments or

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changes have been decided, the question shall then be taken on its adoption as a whole; and if, on such final vote, the majority be not in favor, all that has been approved in detail shall be considered lost, unless otherwise and separately moved and carried.

V. *Of Debate.*

1. Every member wishing to speak on a subject shall arise and respectfully address the President.

2. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall decide which to hear first, giving preference to the oldest; but no member shall be entitled to speak more than twice on the same motion.

3. Every speaker shall confine himself to the matter immediately before the body; he shall avoid offensive language and personalities. To impugn the motives of a member, or to speak of him with disrespect, shall be considered a breach of order.

4. When a member is speaking he shall not be interrupted, unless he be out of order, or to request his permission to explain a misapprehension or correct a mistake.

5. When a speaker is called to order by the President, he must at once desist. If called to order by another, the President shall decide whether or not the point of order be well taken; and if appeal be made from the decision of the Chair, he shall take his seat until the question on the appeal is decided, no debate upon it being admissible.

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6. A speaker may at any time call for the reading of the proposition before the body, or of any papers or documents having reference to the point in hand.

VI. *Of Voting and Protest.*

1. Every member present is in duty bound to vote on all questions submitted, unless, for given or obvious reasons, the body shall excuse him from voting.

2. If a member, or members, be dissatisfied with the decision of the majority, and desire to record their dissent, they may have their names entered on the minutes as dissenting; if they desire it they may make written protest, which, if couched in brief and respectful terms, of which the house is the judge, shall be entered on the minutes; but the body may insert such answer along with the protest as it may deem necessary in the case.

VII. *Of the foregoing Rules of Order.*

1. These Rules of Order shall be in full force and application in the Synodical Sessions, the Ministerial Sessions, and the Sessions of the District Conferences.

2. They shall not be altered or amended except at a regular Annual Meeting of the Ministerium, and by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

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„Das Evangelisch-Lutherische Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten" versammelte sich in der englischen St. Johannis-Kirche zu Allentown, Pa., am 28. Mai 1885, Vormittags 10 Uhr.

Die Pastoren und Delegaten der Gemeinden versammelten sich im Betsaal zur Beichte, welche vom Ehrw. Präsidenten der Synode, Pastor G. F. Krotel, D. D., gehalten wurde. Hierauf begab sich der Körper in den Haupttheil der Kirche, wo der Eröffnungs-Gottesdienst nebst Abendmahlsfeier stattfand. Der Ehrw. Präsident hielt die Eröffnungspredigt über 1. Kor. 12, 27 und der englische Sekretär, Pastor C. J. Cooper, versah den Altar-Gottesdienst.

1. Synodal-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

St. Johannis-Kirche, Allentown, Pa.

Donnerstag, den 28. Mai 1885, 2½ Uhr Nachm.

Der Ehrw. Präsident eröffnete die erste Sitzung nach der in der Agende vorgeschriebenen Ordnung, worauf der englische Sekretär die Namenliste der Pastoren verlas und die Laien-Delegaten ihre Beglaubigungsschreiben einreichten.

Es zeigte sich, daß bei Eröffnung 149 Pastoren und 96 Laien-Delegaten gegenwärtig waren.

Während den Sitzungen waren folgende 183 Pastoren und 121 Laien-Delegaten zugegen:

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,,	S. A. K. Francis	Philadelphia	
,,	Prof. M. A. Richards	Allentown	
,,	M. B. Lenker	Lykens	D. Schulz.
,,	J. C. Dizinger	Camden, N. J.	Phil. Stephany.
,,	G. W. Frederick	Philadelphia	
,,	W. O. Cornman	Easton	
,,	J. Gruhler	Shenandoah	
,,	Prof. H. E. Jacobs, D. D.	Philadelphia	
,,	J. J. Creßman	Bernville	Stanley Swoyer.
,,	J. Hillpot	Elizabethville	
,,	D. K. Humbert	Bowers	P. A. Deisher.
,,	J. D. Schindel	Allentown	Dr. J. Miller.
,,	Prof. T. L. Seip	Allentown	
,,	G. F. Spieker	Allentown	Elias Bittner.
,,	J. Zentner	Trenton	A. Holz.
,,	F. W. Weiskotten	Philadelphia	Peter Woll.
,,	E. L. Reed	Lancaster	Prof. R. K. Bührle.
,,	S. S. Henry	Pillow	
,,	D. D. Trexler	Bernville	
,,	J. H. Gable	Reading	
,,	F. R. Gerlach	Norristown	H. Michael.
,,	F. V. Mayser	Lancaster	Georg Ruß.
,,	H. S. Fegley	Lynnville	W. Moffer.
,,	F. K. Huntzinger	Reading	
,,	P. Isenschmidt	Wilmington, Del.	
,,	W. A. Schaeffer	Philadelphia	C. A. Hensel.
,,	Aug. Linß	Philadelphia	
,,	C. J. Cooper	South Bethlehem	O. K. Jones.
,,	D. K. Kepner	Pottstown	J. M. Fischer.
,,	W. H. Strauß	Lehighton	Sam. Matzer.
,,	J. W. Bieber	Bethlehem	L. F. Gold.
,,	F. F. Buermeyer	New York	
,,	G. D. Foust	North Wales	J. W. Wampole.
,,	W. H. Rickert	Williamsport	
,,	H. A. Fegley	Mechanicsburg	Jacob Eminger.
,,	D. H. Geissinger	Easton	H. Richards.
,,	J. Neff	Spring City	Jacob Christman.
,,	J. N. S. Erb	Orwigsburg	J. H. Walborn.
,,	M. J. Kramlich	Fogelsville	
,,	W. H. Kuntz	Schuylkill Haven	George Beck.
,,	J. J. Kuntz	Conyngham	C. Else.
,,	R. M. Zimmermann	Philadelphia	L. C. Fegley.
,,	S. H. Ziegenfuß	Bath	E. S. G. Walter.
,,	E. E. Sibole	Philadelphia	R. B. Miller.
,,	A. J. Long	Stouchsburg	G. P. Uhrich.
,,	J. H. Neiman	Catawissa	Simon Raup.
,,	J. F. Ohl	Quakertown	J. F. Allen.
,,	O. P. Smith	Trappe	Henry Johnson.
,,	B. S. Small	Klinesville	Christian Grapp.
,,	D. M. Stettler	Beavertown	T. E. Reitz.

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	Pastoren.	Wohnort.	Laien-Delegaten.
Ehrw.	H. B. Strodach	Brooklyn, N. Y.	
„	F. P. Bender	Philadelphia	H. Kellner.
„	D. L. Coleman	Centre Square	H. C. Moser.
„	H. T. Duensing	Tamaqua	
„	C. E. Houpt	Lancaster	Geo. Leibley.
„	J. E. Nidecker	Philadelphia	J. C. File. M. Langenstein, Stellvertr.
„	E. S. Brownmiller	Ephrata	J. M. Wenrich.
„	J. S. Erb	Slatington	B. F. Waltman.
„	C. J. Hirzel	Chestnut Hill	J. G. Finley.
„	W. H. Myers	Reading	D. B. Esterly.
„	A. P. Pflüger	Turbotville	
„	Prof. W. Wackernagel, D. D.	Allentown	W. Bauer. Jacob Scholl, Stellvertr.
„	W. J. Andres	Bath	Aaron Young.
„	J. L. Becker	Sellersville	Samuel Gerges.
„	A. E. Erdman	Nazareth	
„	L. Lindenstruth	Mauch Chunk	Henry Warncke.
„	M. O. Rath	Allentown	E. R. Lichtenwallner.
„	L. Smith	Weatherly	
„	J. D. Upp	South Easton	J. Hinelein.
„	J. P. German	Berwick	Jacob N. Peiper.
„	J. W. Mattern	Stroudsburg	
„	G. P. Müller	Marietta	
„	E. H. Pohle	Philadelphia	
„	W. A. C. Müller	Kutztown	D. Hinterleitner.
„	H. T. Clymer	Sand Cut	
„	A. B. Markley	Millersville	S. D. Becker.
„	S. E. Ochsenford	Selinsgrove	
„	E. R. Cassaday	Philadelphia	
„	J. F. C. Fluck	Philadelphia	
„	J. W. Gauker	Palmyra	David Killinger.
„	E. K. Drumheller	Tamaqua	
„	E. H. Gerhart	Phönixville	
„	W. H. Geiger	Pillow	M. Emerich.
„	W. J. Bieber	Hellertown	A. Bachmann.
„	C. L. Fry	Lancaster	E. H. Albright.
„	U. P. Heilman	Athol	
„	D. H. Reiter	Richland Centre	H. B. Slifer.
„	H. E. Semmel	Litiz	H. D. Weaver.
„	J. L. Sibole	Philadelphia	
„	E. M. Smith	Philadelphia	
„	M. L. Zweizig	Scranton	
„	J. P. Deck	Germantown	J. W. Achey.
„	J. H. Kuder	Lehighton	C. D. Clauß.
„	G. S. Seaman	Elizabethtown	
„	W. M. Rehrig	Girardville	C. Eberle.
„	J. H. R. Wendel	Germantown	
„	C. K. Binder	Camden	Geo. Shimer.
„	F. K. Bernd	Stetlersville	John Kuhns.
„	J. H. Umbenhen	Reamstown	Henry Snyder.
„	J. W. Klingler	Mt. Bethel	J. Eyer.
„	A. G. Voigt	Mt. Holly, N. J.	
„	T. S. Schmauk	Lebanon	
„	S. B. Stupp	Phillipsburg, N. J.	
„	C. Horak	Freeland	
„	T. M. Angstadt	Mahon Bay, N. S.	
„	J. W. Mayne	Dublin	John King.
„	O. D. Miller	Hamburg	Daniel Miller.

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Pastoren.	Wohnort.	Laien-Delegaten.
Ehrw. S. Wenrich	Dushore	P. Yonkin.
„ Ph. P. Wisser	Mt. Joy	
„ Ernst Hartmann	Philadelphia	
„ T. R. Ander	Reading	

Folgende Laien-Delegaten waren von Gemeinden zugegen, welche vakant sind, oder deren Pastoren abwesend waren:

Jonestown-Pfarrstelle		Delegat J. Heilman.
Trinitatis-Kirche	Lancaster	„ R. A. Bär.
Trinitatis-Kirche	Norristown	„ Henry Lehman.
St. Paulus-Kirche (deutsch)	Philadelphia	„ Johann Born.
Trinitatis-Kirche	Catasauqua	„ Col. M. H. Horn.
St. Johannis-Kirche	Wilkesbarre	„ H. D. Thomas.
St. Johannis-Kirche (englisch)	Allentown	„ Peter Seibert.
Christus-Kirche	Mahanoy	„ A. Stichling.
Frackville		„ R. Wagner.
New Jerusalem	Ridge Road	„ E. Schelly.
Pikeland-Pfarrstelle		„ S. B. King.

Pastoren, welche während der diesjährigen Versammlung in das Ministerium aufgenommen wurden:

Pastoren.	Pfarrstelle.	Frühere Verbindung.
Ehrw. J. R. Shoffner	Columbia, Pa.	Susquehanna Synode.
„ W. C. L. Lauer	Frackville	New York Ministerium.
„ A. W. Walter	Easton	Indiana Synode.
„ C. S. Kohler	Catasauqua	New York Ministerium.

Folgende Candidaten wurden ordinirt:

Oskar D. Bartholomew,
Zacob Darmstätter,
Albert R. J. Graepp,
William G. Hudson,
Jacob W. Lazarus,
Joseph H. Orr,
Robert D. Roeder,
Nathanael Sheffer,
A. F. Walz,
J. K. Wisner,
Louis Jacob Bickel,
William J. Dreßler,
Andrew J. Heißler,
Uriah J. Klingensmith,
Edwin L. Miller,
Alfred Ramsey,
Chas. E. Sandt,
Edwin H. Smoll,
John A. Waters,
Astor C. Wuchter.

Folgende Pastoren waren abwesend:

Ehrw. H. S. Miller, J. Roeller, Prof. H. J. Schmid, D. D., E. Greenwald, D. D., C. L. Erle, W. Weaver, A. J. Weddel, J. C. Schmidt, J. G. Abele, W. Gerhard, D. D., P. F. Zizelmann, Thomas Steck, D. M. Martens, F. T. Hennicke, Prof. A. Martin, W. Rieb, D. E. Reed, F. C. C. Kähler, F. Wischan, J. W. Rumple, J. M. Hantz, W. A. Baetes, F. H. Uhrich, — und die Missionare in Indien: H. C. Schmidt, J. K. Paulsen, T. Joseph, N. Paulus, F. S. Dietrich, F. J. C. McCready.

Durch den Tod wurden während dem Synodal-Jahr folgende Pastoren abgerufen: Ehrw. S. Yingling, Pastor der St. Johannis-Kirche, Columbia, Pa.; Ehrw. H. G. B. Artman, Missionar in Indien.

Folgende Pastoren wurden aus dem Ministerium an andere lutherische Körperschaften **entlassen**: Ehrw, A. J. D. Houpt, G. C. Gardner, J. Rechtsteiner, A. F. Schaeffer, C. L. Holloway. J. F. Baetes, S. G. Finkel, F. A. Kähler, C. Körner.

Es erhellt aus Obigem, daß das Ministerium im verflossenen Synodal-Jahr zwei Glieder durch den Tod und neun durch ehrenvolle Entlassung verloren hat. Vier Pastoren

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wurden aus andern kirchlichen Körpern und zwanzig Candidaten durch Ordination aufgenommen; also im Ganzen vierundzwanzig. Die Gesammtzahl der zum Ministerium gehörenden Pastoren und Professoren ist 233. Hiervon waren 203 anwesend. Delegaten waren 122 gegenwärtig.

Als besuchende Pastoren waren anwesend: Ehrw. W. A. Passavant, D. D., von der Pittsburg Synode, Ehrw. G. H. Trabert, Missionar in Minneapolis und Glied Augustana Synode, Ehrw. L. H. Geschwind von dem New York Ministerium, Ehrw. C. S. Seaman von der Pittsburg Synode, Ehrw. L. M. Weickfel von der Indiana Synode, Ehrw. J. Sander von der Pittsburg Synode.

Ehrw. Phil. Krug reichte sein Beglaubigungsschreiben als Delegat des Ehrw. Ministeriums von New York ein und überbrachte die brüderlichen Glückwünsche dieses Körpers. Der Präsident bewillkommte ihn aufs freundlichste und lud ihn ein, nicht nur an den Verhandlungen unsrer Synode Theil zu nehmen, sondern nach herkömmlicher Sitte seine Stimme über die vorkommenden Fragen abzugeben.

Der Ehrw. Präsident, Pastor G. F. Krotel D. D., verlas hierauf seinen jährlichen Bericht, welcher lautet wie folgt:

Bericht des Präsidenten.

An das Evang.-Luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und die angrenzenden Staaten.

Väter und Brüder!

Durch Hülfe Gottes ist es uns gelungen, noch einmal bei der Verlesung der Namenliste der Muttersynode der Lutherischen Kirche in Amerika zugegen zu sein. Diese Liste hatte nur wenige Namen, als sie vor einhundertundachtunddreißig Jahren angefangen wurde. Seitdem sind Hunderte von Namen hinzugefügt worden, aber nicht alle werden jetzt bei den jährlichen Versammlungen verlesen. Manche von ihnen finden sich jetzt in anderen Synoden, aber die Meisten sind der immer wachsenden Mehrheit der triumphirenden Kirche zugezählt worden. Und doch, trotz aller dieser Veränderungen, ist die Namenliste unserer Synode heute größer als bei irgend einer früheren Versammlung.

In einer Synode, die so alt ist, wie die unsrige, und in einer konservativen Bevölkerung wie diejenige, in welcher sich die meisten unserer Gemeinden finden, steht zu erwarten, daß manche Namen eine lange Zeit auf unserer Liste stehen werden, und ich brauche euch nicht zu sagen, wie viele unserer Brüder schon seit vielen Jahren in unserer Mitte sind, etliche von ihnen schon über fünfzig Jahre. Doch möchte es mir Niemand verdenken, wenn ich auf einen Fall aufmerksam mache, der dieses auf eine auffallende Weise darstellt. Der Ehrw. Dr. C. W. Schäffer, Vorsitzer der Fakultät unseres Theologischen Seminars in Philadelphia, und viele Jahre lang Präsident dieser ehrwürdigen Synode, feiert dieses Jahr das fünfzigste Jahresfest seiner Verbindung mit diesem Körper. Bei der Synodalversammlung, im Jahre 1835, in welcher er aufgenommen wurde, schied sein betagter Großvater, der Ehrw. Friedrich David Schäffer, aus derselben, um nach Frederick, Md. zu ziehen, nachdem er gerade fünfzig Jahre Glied dieses Körpers gewesen war. Also ein volles Jahrhundert stand der Name Schäffer auf unserer Liste, fünfzig Jahre lang als Name des Großvaters, und fünfzig Jahre als Name des Enkels. Möge der

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Letztere noch lange in unserer Mitte verweilen und der wohlbekannte Name Schäffer noch lange auf unserer Liste stehen!

Aber, obwohl die Synode älter wird und die Namenliste zunimmt, thut der Tod sein Bestes, dieselbe zu vermindern, und hat auch wieder im verflossenen Jahre in unsere Reihen eingegriffen.

Todesfälle.

Bei unserer letzten Jahresversammlung erschien Pastor S. Yingling noch in unserer Mitte, obwohl in einem leidenden Zustand. Er starb am 11. Sept. 1884 zu Columbia, Pa., in einem Alter von 64 Jahren, 10 Monaten und 27 Tagen.

Pastor H. G. B. Artman starb auf seinem Missionsposten in Indien am 18. September 1884, in einem Alter von 26 Jahren, 11 Monaten und 25 Tagen.

Auch hat die Synode an Herrn C. D. Colladay einen thätigen Laien, der ihr seit Jahren als Glied der Finanz-Committee treffliche und treue Dienste leistete, verloren.

Entlassungen.

1. Am 11. Juni 1884, am Tage nach ihrer Ordination zu Reading, Pa., Pastor Alexander J. D. Houpt, an die Augustana-Synode; und
2. Pastor Georg C. Gardner, an die englische Distrikts-Synode von Ohio.
3. Am 21. Juni 1884, Pastor Jos. Rechtsteiner, an das evang.-luth. Ministerium von New York.
4. Am 21. Juli 1884, Pastor August F. Schäffer, an die Pittsburg-Synode.
5. Am 18. August 1884, Pastor C. L. Holloway, an dieselbe Synode.
6. Am 27. August 1884, Pastor G. F. Beates, an die englische Distrikts-Synode von Ohio.
7. Am 27. September 1884 benachrichtigte mich Pastor Samuel G. Finckel, daß er den Wunsch habe, sich der Synode von Maryland, der er früher angehörte, wieder anzuschließen. Ich sandte ihm das in solchen Fällen übliche Zeugniß.
8. Am 20. Dezember 1884, Pastor F. A. Kähler, an das evang.-luth. Ministerium von New York.
9. Am 21. Mai 1885, Pastor C. Körner, an die Synode von Indiana.

Stellenwechsel.

Im Juni 1884, legte Pastor S. G. Finckel sein Amt an der St. Johannis-Gemeinde in Wilkesbarre nieder.

Am 1. Juli 1884 trat Pastor P. P. Wisser sein Amt in Mount Joy, Lancaster Co., an.

Am 17. August 1884 nahm Pastor S. Wenrich einen Ruf von dem Dushore Pfarrdistrikt an.

Im August 1884 resignirte Pastor G. W. Sandt als Pastor der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Catasauqua, und der St. Johannis-Gemeinde, Coplay.

Im September zog sich Pastor R. Hill von der St. Johannis-Gemeinde in Allentown zurück, um dem Rufe der Synode Folge zu leisten und als Agent des Seminars zu dienen.

Am 15. Oktober nahm Pastor S. P. Deck von Kimberton, Chester Co., einen Ruf der St. Michaelis-Gemeinde in Germantown, Pa. an.

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Am 1. November 1884 folgte Pastor Karl S. Kohler einem Ruf der St. Johannis-Gemeinde zu Catasauqua.

Am 5. Januar 1885 nahm Pastor F. K. Bernd einen Ruf von der Tow-hill Gemeinde an und bedient dieselbe in Verbindung mit Gordon, South Whitehall, Lehigh Co.

Am 7. Januar 1885 zog sich Pastor S. S. Henry von der Jersey Shore Mission zurück, um einen Ruf von der Upper Lykens Mission anzunehmen.

Am 1. Februar trat Pastor G. R. Shoffner sein Amt an der St. Johannis-Gemeinde zu Columbia, Pa. an.

Am 11. März resignirte Pastor F. T. Hennicke in Lock Haven und nahm einen Ruf der deutschen Gemeinde in Frostburg, Md., an.

Am 1. März hat die Gemeinde zu Mahanoy City Past. J. H. Meyer von Canada erwählt.

Am 1. April legte Pastor D. M. Martens sein Amt in Jonestown, Lebanon Co., nieder, um einen Ruf von der deutschen evang.-luth. Gemeinde in Augusta, Ga., anzunehmen.

Am 5. Mai 1884 folgte Pastor W. C. L. Lauer einem Ruf der Zions-Gemeinde in Frackville.

Am 1. Juli 1885 wird Pastor A. B. Markley den Millersville Pfarrdistrikt verlassen.

Der Präsident der 4. Conferenz machte mich darauf aufmerksam, daß Pastor J. A. Darmstätter am 28. August 1884 sein fünfundzwanzigstes Jubiläum als Prediger des Evangeliums, sowie seines Amtsantritts als Pastor der Gemeinden zu Columbia und Chestnut Hill feierte. Ich bin der Ansicht, daß es gut wäre, wenn die Brüder, die solche Feste feiern, oder die Präsidenten der betreffenden Conferenzen, den Präsidenten des Ministeriums von allen solchen Festlichkeiten benachrichtigen würden, damit derselbe sie in seinem Jahresbericht erwähnen könnte.

Am 17. November 1884 benachrichtigte mich Pastor Prof. W. J. Mann, D. D., daß er am vorhergehenden Tage seine letzte Predigt als Pastor der Zions-Gemeinde, an der er vierunddreißig Jahre stand, gehalten habe. Die Gemeinde hat ihn zum Pastor Emeritus gemacht.

In meiner Antwort auf sein Schreiben sagte ich, — und glaubte damit die Gefühle dieses Körpers auszusprechen, — daß, obwohl wir an dem Verlust der Gemeinde, die einen Pastor, der ihr solche langjährige und tüchtige Dienste geleistet hat, ziehen lassen muß, von Herzen theilnehmen, so freuen wir uns doch, daß er sich entschlossen hat, seine ganze Zeit und Kraft unserem theologischen Seminar, und solchen litterarischen Arbeiten, die der Kirche dienlich sind, — je nachdem es seine Zeit und seine Kräfte erlauben, — zu widmen.

Am 5. Mai 1885 theilte mir Pastor F. Wischan mit, daß ihm seine Gemeinde Urlaub gegeben habe, damit er zu seiner Erholung und zum Besuch seiner betagten Eltern in die alte Heimath in Deutschland ziehen möge. Er bittet die Synode, seine Abwesenheit zu entschuldigen.

Der Schatzmeister dieses Körpers, Pastor J. B. Rath, sah sich, aus Gesundheitsrücksichten genöthigt, sein Amt als Pastor der Gemeinde zu Bethlehem niederzulegen. Möge diese Arbeitserleichterung zu seiner Stärkung dienen!

Installationen.

Am 22. Juni 1884, Pastor S. W. Mayne, in den Gemeinden zu Tinicum und Dublin, Bucks Co.

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Am 29. Juni, Pastor S. R. Zimmermann, in der St. Paulus (englischen) Gemeinde, Philadelphia.

Am 13. Juli, Pastor Oscar D. Müller, in der St. Johannis-Gemeinde, Hamburg.

Am 3. August, Pastor F. R. Gerlach, in der deutschen St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Norristown, Pa.

Am 10. August, Pastor P. P. Wisser, in Mount Joy, Lancaster Co.

Am 10. August, Pastor N. Ander, als Gehülfspastor von Pastor J. J. Kündig an der St. Johannis-Kirche in Reading.

Am 24. August, Pastor W. H. Geiger, in dem Pillow Parrdistrikt.

Am 7. September, Pastor E. Hartmann, in der Christus-Kapelle, North Penn Village, Philadelphia.

Am 18. Dezember, Pastor J. P. Deck, in der englischen St. Michaelis-Gemeinde, Germantown, Pa.

Ecksteinlegungen.

Am 3. August 1884, der ersten ev.-luth. Kirche in Selinsgrove, Pastor S. E. Ochsenford.

Am 13. April 1885, der St. Johannis-Kirche, die zum Mahanoy Pfarrdistrikt gehört, und deren Pastor der Ehrw. J. F. Bayer ist.

Am 10. Mai 1885, der neuen Kirche, welche an der südwestlichen Ecke der 7. Straße und der Montgomery Avenue von der, von Pastor J. L. Sibole bedienten ev.-luth. St. Lukas-Gemeinde in Philadelphia gebaut wird.

Die englische Trinitatis-Gemeinde (Pastor Dr. J. Fry) in Reading, die sich schon durch die Gründung neuer Gemeinden in jener Stadt ausgezeichnet hat, hat sich vor Kurzem entschlossen, zur Unterbringung etlicher blühenden Missionen in jener Stadt drei Kapellen zu bauen. Der Eckstein der ersten dieser Kapellen, die in Nord Reading liegt, und den Namen Friedens- (Peace) Kapelle tragen soll, wurde am 17. Mai 1885 gelegt; der der Glaubens-Kapelle (Faith Chapel) in Ost Reading oder Woodvale am heil. Pfingsttage; und der der Hope Chapel (Hoffnungs-Kapelle) in Schuylkill Avenue., soll am Trinitatisfest (Nachmittags) gelegt werden.

Am 24. Mai 1885 wurde im Pfarrdistrikt von Pastor J. W. Early der Eckstein der Emanuels-Kirche gelegt.

Einweihung von Kirchen.

Am 30. November 1884, die Gnadenkirche in Phillipsburg, N. J., Dr. G. D. Bernheim, Pastor.

Am 18. Februar 1885, eine gemeinschaftliche Kirche in Whitehall, Lehigh Co., J. S. Renninger, Pastor.

Verschönerung und Wiedereröffnung von Kirchen.

Im Juli und August wurde die St.-Johannis-Kirche, Pastor H. N. Fegley, und die Trinitatis-Kirche zu Ephrata, Pastor E. S. Brownmiller's Distrikt, nach bedeutenden Reparaturen auf feierliche Weise wieder eröffnet.

Am 5. Oktober wurde die Kirche zu Lynville (Pastor H. S. Fegley) wieder eröffnet, nachdem manche Verbesserungen vollendet waren.

Am 14. Dezember wurde die Jerusalems-Kirche in Salsbury Township, Lehigh Co., (Pastor W. Rath) aufs Neue dem Dienst des Herrn geweiht.

Am 24. Januar 1885 wurde die Kirche zu Washingtonville (Pastor A. P. Pflüger), die bedeutend verschönert worden war, eröffnet.

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Dasselbe fand in der Millers-Kirche in N. Whitehall Township, Lehigh Co. (Pastor J. S. Renninger), am 22. Februar, statt.

Die Emanuels-Kirche, Pottstown, Pa., an welcher Pastor D. K. Kepner steht, wurde auch durch Frescomalerei, neue Teppiche und Polster, sowie durch die Beschaffung eines neuen Orgelwerks bedeutend verschönert. Die ganze Arbeit kostete $7000, die auch schon bezahlt sind.

Verschiedene Gegenstände.

Nach dem Paragraphen 57 unserer Synodal-Constitution ist der Schatzmeister gehalten, dem Präsidenten eine Sicherheitsverschreibung (bond), deren Betrag die Synode bestimmt, begleitet von einer guten Bürgschaft, auszustellen, welche im Archive aufbewahrt werden soll. Der neuerwählte Schatzmeister, Pastor J. B. Rath, hat mir einen solchen bond (zu dem Betrag von $15,000) nebst guter Bürgschaft, mit welcher die Finanz-Committee des Ministeriums vollkommen zufrieden war, ausgestellt.

Am 24. Juli 1884 gab ich den Schuldschein, von dem in dem letzten Jahres-Bericht meines Amtsvorgängers die Rede war, und welchen Pastor Dr. C. W. Schäffer in Verbindung mit dem Jungkerth'schen Legat ausgestellt hatte, an denselben zurück. Mein Vorgänger hatte nämlich vorgeschlagen, daß das Ministerium einen Beschluß fassen möchte, dem Präsidenten die Befugniß zu geben, diesen Schuldschein dem Herrn Dr. Schäffer zu überreichen. Obwohl nun das Ministerium keinen solchen Beschluß faßte, so schien es doch meinem Vorgänger (Dr. J. A. Seiß) und mir, daß das von ihm beabsichtigte wirklich in der Beschlußnahme der Synode gemeint war, und ich habe deßwegen den Schuldschein an Dr. Schäffer gesandt.

Bei unserer letzten jährlichen Versammlung wurde beschlossen, daß der Präsident dieses Ministeriums beauftragt sei, im Namen dieser Corporation mit den Eigenthümern des vorgeschlagenen Grundstücks in West-Philadelphia bezüglich des Ankaufs genannten Grundstückes zu verhandeln, und wenn der Preis desselben annehmbar ist, unter Rath und Zustimmung der Finanz-Committee den Kauf jenes Eigenthums, oder so viel davon als nöthig ist, abzuschließen.

Die Committee des Direktoriums unseres Seminars, welche die vorläufigen Unterhandlungen bezüglich dieses Grundstückes vorgenommen, und über dieselben auf der Synode in Reading (1884) berichtet hatte, führte dieselben auch nach Vertagung dieses Körpers, sowie nach der Special-Versammlung des Directoriums, welche im Juli 1884 gehalten wurde, fort. Da die Glieder der Finanz-Committee unseres Ministeriums auch Glieder des Direktoriums waren, setzten sie diese Unterhandlungen auf mein Ersuchen auch weiter fort und statteten mir regelmäßig Bericht ab. Auf mein Ersuchen hat Herr Wm. H. Staake, ein Glied dieser Committee, der dieser Sache viel Zeit und Arbeit gewidmet hat, — für welches er gewiß den Dank des Ministeriums ernten wird, — mir am 2. Mai 1885 einen ausführlichen Bericht über die gethanen Schritte zugesandt, den ich bei dieser Gelegenheit mit Erlaubniß der Synode vorlesen möchte.

Am 2. Dezember 1884 sandte mir Pastor H. Grahn, Sekretär der von dem Seminar-Direktorium ernannten Bau-Committee, eine Anweisung an den Schatzmeister unseres Ministeriums, ausgestellt von den Herren Dr. John Rommel und William H. Staake, — für $11,514.60. Davon sollten $7183.85 um vollen Ankauf des sogenannten Hughes Grundstückes verwendet werden;

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auf Hardings, ein Viertel, $3327.85; und auf Haworths Grundstück auch ein Viertel, $1003.00. Ich unterzeichnete diese erste Anweisung und sandte dieselbe an die betreffende Person.

Der soeben verlesene Bericht (von William H. Staake), sowie der unseres Synodal-Schatzmeisters werden der Synode zeigen, wie viel bis jetzt an diesem Grundstück abbezahlt worden ist.

In alles weitere, das in Bezug auf das neue Seminar, entweder von dem Direktorium oder von der von demselben angestellten Bau-Committee, oder von dem von der Synode ernannten Agenten, Pastor R. Hill, gethan worden ist, ohne Zweifel von diesen berichtet werden wird, ist es nicht nöthig, daß ich mich weiter auf dasselbe einlasse.

Am 27. August ersuchte mich Pastor J. A. Darmstätter, seinem Adoptivsohn, Jacob Darmstätter, zu erlauben, seine Studien unter seiner — des Vaters Aufsicht weiter zu betreiben. Der junge Mann hatte zwei Jahre in unserem theologischen Seminar zugebracht, mußte es aber aus Gesundheitsrücksichten verlassen. Da die Fakultät vollkommen mit der Bitte des Herrn Pastor Darmstätter einverstanden war, und auch die Aussicht vorhanden war, daß diese Veränderung der Gesundheit des jungen Mannes dienlich sein würde, gab ich recht gerne meine Zustimmung.

Die Interessen der Legate kamen zur gehörigen Zeit in meine Hände, und ich sandte den ihnen bestimmten Theil an die Präsidenten des Ev.-Luth. Ministeriums von New York und der Synode von West-Pennsylvanien. Der in meinen Händen bleibende Theil wurde auf die in den Legaten vorgeschriebene Weise vertheilt, wie aus des Präsidenten Rechnungen zu ersehen ist.

Nach einer Correspondenz zwischen dem Schatzmeister der Synode und den noch übrigen Gliedern der Finanz-Committee, erhielt ich die Mittheilung, daß es sehr wünschenswerth sei, die durch den Tod des Herrn C. D. Colladay in dieser Committee gemachte Lücke wieder zu füllen. Im Einklang mit § 11 unserer Nebengesetze, und nach Einholen des Gutachtens der übrigen Beamten, ernannte ich Herrn W. W. Kurz, welcher auch freundlichst das Amt annahm, und der auch den übrigen Gliedern der Committee durchaus angenehm ist. Ich ernannte ihn am 10. Dezember 1884.

Am 17. Febr. 1885 benachrichtigte mich Herr Georg G. Kunkle von Bethlehem, Pa., der im Mühlenberg College graduirt und dann einen Monat in unserem Seminar zugebracht hatte, daß er vor Kurzem sich an die Fakultät unseres Seminars gewandt habe, weil er sich entschlossen hatte, seine vor Jahren unterbrochenen theologischen Studien wieder aufzunehmen, um ins Predigtamt zu treten. Unsere Professoren bestärkten ihn in seinem Vorhaben, riethen ihm aber seine Studien privatim, unter Anleitung eines unserer Pastoren, fortzusetzen, und empfahlen ihm Pastor G. F. Spieker zu diesem Zweck, sowie auch sich an den Präsidenten der Synode zu wenden. Auch übersandte er mir einen Brief des Ehrw. Dr. F. A. Mühlenberg, der während Herrn Kunkels Studirzeit Präsident des Mühlenberg College war. Da diese Empfehlungen vollkommen befriedigend waren, ertheilte ich meine Genehmigung und bat ihn, meinen Brief Pastor G. F. Spieker vorzulegen. Späterhin theilte mir Herr Kunkel mit, daß Pastor Spieker so freundlich war, diese Arbeit zu übernehmen.

Am 3. März sandte mir Pastor D. K. Kepner, Präsident der ersten Conferenz, ein Schreiben von Hugo Wendel, Missionar in Chester, Pa., in welchem derselbe die offizielle Mittheilung macht, daß sich die an jenem Orte bestehende

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St. Pauls-Gemeinde aufgelöst habe und daß das Eigenthum verkauft worden sei und daß dasselbe, nach dem Charter und Constitution genannter Gemeinde, in den Besitz dieses Ministeriums übergehe. Fernerhin ersuchte er Pastor Kepner, die zur Sicherung des Eigenthumsrechts dieses Ministeriums nöthigen Schritte zu thun und macht ihn darauf aufmerksam, daß er die ganze Angelegenheit in die Hände von Pastor J. C. Dizinger, des Sekretärs der Committee, welcher die Conferenz die Versorgung dieser Gemeinden übertragen hatte, legen könnte. Herr Wendel setzte noch hinzu, daß er eine neue Gemeinde, die „St. Peters-Gemeinde" in Chester gegründet habe, und daß dieselbe schon ungefähr sechszig Glieder zähle.

An demselben Tage schrieb ich an Pastor J. C. Dizinger, und beauftragte ihn, nachdem er den Rath des Herrn William H. Staake eingeholt habe, die nöthigen Schritte zu thun, um dieses Eigenthum für unser Ministerium zu sichern. Am demselben Tage berichtete ich dieses dem Präsidenten der Conferenz, Pastor D. K. Kepner.

Am 1. Mai sandten mir die Herren Colladay und Hartley eine Feuerversicherungsschrift (Policy of Insurance) für das Haus No. 2500 Turner Straße, Philadelphia, welche der Hypothek, welche dem Ministerium gehörte, und welche abbezahlt worden ist, beigelegt war. Sie ersuchten mich, dieselbe als Präsident dieses Körpers zu unterzeichnen, und fügten noch hinzu, daß Herr William H. Staake sie benachrichtigt habe, daß er mir die von Seiten der Finanz-Committee nöthige Autorisation zugesandt habe. An demselben Tage erhielt ich von Herrn Staake folgenden Beschluß der Finanz-Committee: „Der Präsident des Ev.-Luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien wird ersucht "to enter satisfaction of record of the Mortgage for $1800; dated April 2, 1883, recorded in Mortgage Book G. O. D. No. 86, page 226 etc. Deemed upon premises South West Corner of 25th and Turner streets, in the twenty-ninth ward of Philadelphia, given by Joseph Carter Powell to Charles D. Colladay and assigned by Charles D. Colladay to the said Ministerium on August 3, 1883; assignment recorded in Assignment of Mortgage Book G. O. D., No. 24, page 175 etc. and also to affix the Seal of the Corporation to and make the necessary transfer of any policy or policies of insurance accompanying said Mortgage."

Auf dieses hin unterzeichnete ich die vorhin genannte Schrift, drückte das Ministerialsiegel darauf und sandte sie noch an demselben Tage an die Herren Colladay und Hartley.

Am 6. Mai übersandte mir Pastor T. E. Schmauk eine Schrift, die er im Auftrag der vierten Conferenz verfaßt und mir zugesandt hatte, damit ich dieselbe dem Ministerium vorlegen möchte. Diese Schrift macht darauf aufmerksam, daß einer der erfahrensten und gelehrtesten Richter dieses Staates die Erklärung abgegeben hat, daß ein Theil der von diesem Ministerium empfohlenen und in den letztjährigen Verhandlungen abgedruckte Form eines Freibriefs für Gemeinden, im Widerspruch mit der Incorporationsacte vom Jahre 1874 stehe.

Ich empfehle diese Einsendung, die meinem Berichte beigelegt ist, der ganz besonderen Aufmerksamkeit der Synode.

Die Appellation des Herrn L. L. Houpt.

Gegen den Ausgang des Jahres 1880 erhob sich ein Mißverständniß zwischen Herrn Lewis L. Houpt und seinem Pastor, dem Ehrw. Samuel Laird,

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Pastor der St. Markus-Gemeinde in Philadelphia. Diese schwierige Sache kam schließlich vor den Kirchenrath jener Gemeinde, von dem sie untersucht wurde, mit dem Resultat, daß Herr Houpt als Glied der Gemeinde suspendirt wurde. Herr Houpt appellirte sodann an die erste Distrikts-Conferenz unserer Synode und die Sache kam auf gehörige Weise vor genannte Konferenz, bei der in der St. Lucas-Kirche gehaltenen Versammlung, am 15. und 16. Januar 1883. Ich war zur Zeit Präsident der Conferenz.

Die Sache wurde einer Committee, bestehend aus den Pastoren G. F. Krotel, W. J. Mann, Adolf Spaeth und H. Grahn und den Herren Heinrich Lehman, John C. File und Heinrich Bätis, übergeben. Die Glieder der Committee wurden von der Conferenz gewählt und nur solche Personen wurden dazu genommen, mit denen Herr Houpt und die St. Markus-Gemeinde vollkommen zufrieden waren. Zudem bestimmte auch die Conferenz den Vorsitzer der Committee. Die Conferenz instruirte diese Committee, zu untersuchen: 1. Ob der Kirchenrath, der Herrn Houpt suspendirte, nach den Vorschriften der Constitution der St. Markus-Gemeinde gehandelt habe; und 2. Ob die vor den Kirchenrath gebrachten Anklagen gegen Herrn Houpt bewiesen wurden. An diese zwei Punkte hatte sich die Committee zu halten und nicht darüber hinauszugehen. Zu diesem wurde noch beschlossen, daß die zu ernennende Committee instruirt werde, ihr Bestes zu thun, um die entfremdeten Gemüther zu versöhnen und den Frieden wieder herzustellen.

Die Committee fing nun damit an, daß sie ernstliche Versuche machte, den zuletzt ewähnten Beschluß auszuführen. Als dieselben fehlschlugen, nahm sie eine förmliche Untersuchung in der Zions-Kirche in Philadelphia vor, während den drei Tagen, 30. April und 1. und 2. Mai 1883. Es war Niemand zugegen, ausgenommen die betheiligten Parteien, ein paar Zeugen, die Glieder der Committee und ein Stenograph, der auf den besonderen Wunsch des Herrn Houpt und mit der Zustimmung des Kirchenraths der St. Markus-Gemeinde engagirt worden war, mit dem Verständniß, daß die betreffenden Parteien die Unkosten bezahlen würden. Das Resultat dieser Untersuchung war, daß die Beschlußnahme des Kirchenraths der St. Markus-Gemeinde von der Committee als rechtmäßig anerkannt wurde.

Die genannte Committee legte ihren Bericht, sowie den des Stenographen, vor eine Specialversammlung der ersten Conferenz, die für diesen Zweck in der Zions-Kirche, Philadelphia, am 2. Juli 1883, gehalten wurde. Der Bericht der Committee wurde angenommen und ihr in dieser Sache abgegebenes Urtheil gutgeheißen.

Bei der nächsten (der regelmäßigen) Versammlung der Conferenz, die in Bridgetown, Pa., im September 1883 stattfand, legte Herr L. L. Houpt, „eine Appellation an die erste Distrikts-Conferenz des Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien" vor, und zwar in der Form eines gedruckten Pamphlets von 56 Seiten, das meinem Bericht beigelegt ist.

Die Conferenz, deren Präsident ich immer noch war, lehnte es ab, sich weiter mit der Angelegenheit zu befassen, und erklärte, daß der in der Spezialversammlung gefaßte Beschluß als das Letzte, was diese Conferenz in der Sache thun könne, anzusehen sei. Es war dabei verstanden, daß Herr Houpt das Recht der Appellation an die Synode hatte. Keine solche Appellation wurde bei der darauf folgenden Synodalversammlung, Reading, 1884, eingereicht.

Am 5. Mai 1885 sandte mir Herr L. L. Houpt eine Appellation an dieses Ministerium, und eine Copie derselben, mit der Bitte, sie an den Ehrw.

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D. K. Kepner, Präsidenten der ersten Distrikts-Conferenz zu senden. Ich that das noch an demselben Tage, auf daß Pastor Kepner die betreffenden Parteien benachrichtigen möchte, daß eine solche Appellation vor diesen Körper gelegt werden würde. Pastor Kepner benachrichtigte mich, daß er das, was die Synodal-Constitution von ihm fordert, gethan habe.

Herr Houpt übersandte mir zu gleicher Zeit zur Information dieses Körpers zwei Pamphlete: viz. "History of the Church troubles at St. Mark's, Philadelphia, 1880—1882;" und "An Appeal to the First District Conference of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, Bridgetown, Pa., Sept. 1883." Auch habe ich Pastor Dr. W. J. Mann, den Archivarius dieses Ministeriums, ersucht, bei dieser Versammlung den Bericht der Untersuchungs-Committee, mit Einschluß des stenographischen Berichts, zur möglicherweise notwendigen Vorlegung in Bereitschaft zu haben, — denn die Conferenz hatte beschlossen, diese wichtigen Documente im Archiv des Ministeriums aufzubewahren.

Da Herr Houpt dem 137. Paragraphen unserer Synodal-Constitution Folge geleistet, indem er seine Appellation wenigstens zwanzig Tage vor der Versammlung der Synode in meine Hände gelegt hat, und ich eine Abschrift derselben dem Präsidenten der Conferenz übersandt habe, so kommt also diese Angelegenheit der Ordnung gemäß vor diesen Körper.

Gesuche des General-Concils.

Bei der letzten Versammlung des General-Concils, zu Monroe, Michigan, im Jahre 1884, wurde den Präsidenten der Synoden der Auftrag gegeben, das, was das General-Concil in Bezug auf die Einheimische Mission beschlossen hatte, den respectiven Synoden vorzulegen, und dieselben zu ermuntern, solche Maßregeln zu treffen, daß alle zu derselben gehörenden Gemeinden bewogen werden, sich an diesem großen Werke zu betheiligen. Ich entledige mich dieses Auftrags, indem ich die gefaßten Beschlüsse hier in meinem Berichte vorlege: —

1. Beschlossen, daß das General-Concil mit tiefgefühltem Dank gegen den allmächtigen Gott den großen Fortschritt vernommen, den dieser Körper in den letzten Jahren im Werke der Innern Mission gemacht hat.
2. Beschlossen, daß es auch mit Betrübniß und zu tiefster Demüthigung vernommen, wie ungenügend die Mittel sind zur rechten Ausführung des Werkes, welches Gott ihm übergeben.
3. Beschlossen, daß beides in Hinsicht dessen, was schon geschehen ist und was noch zu thun übrig bleibt, in Hinsicht der Nachlässigkeit in der Vergangenheit und der Forderungen der Zukunft, dieser Körper sich zu erneutem Eifer im Innern Missionswerk angespornt fühlt.
4. Beschlossen, daß dieses Concil die verschiedenen Innern Missions-Committeen beauftragt, die Pastoren zu nöthigen, jedes Jahr einen oder mehrere Tage der Berücksichtigung des wichtigen Innern Missionswerkes zu widmen; darauf zu dringen, daß an dem Tage oder den Tagen, die dazu angesetzt sind, der Pastor oder Jemand, den er dazu ernennt, eine Predigt über Innere Mission halte, worin die Vergangenheit, Gegenwart und Zukunft des Werkes den Gemeinden an's Herz gelegt wird und zu sorgen, daß an solchen Tagen besondere Collekten für Innere Mission erhoben werden.
5. Beschlossen, daß die Committeen über Innere Mission die Pastoren nöthigen sollen, unter ihren jungen Leuten Missions-Vereine zu bilden, deren Zweck es sein soll, Gelder für Innere Mission zu sammeln und das Volk mit dem Werke bekannt zu machen.

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Ich brauche kaum zu sagen, daß ich, als derzeitiger Präsident dieses Körpers, und Vorsitzer einer der Einheimischen Missions-Committeen des General-Concils, mit aller Hochachtung die hier anwesenden Prediger und andere Delegaten dringend ersuche, nicht nur solche Maßregeln zu treffen, sondern auch dahin zu arbeiten, daß sie in allen Gemeinden unserer Synode in Ausführung gebracht werden mögen.

Ebenso wurde beschlossen, daß die Vice-Präsidenten (des General-Concils) beauftragt werden, es den verschiedenen Synoden an's Herz zu legen, wie nothwendig es sei, die vom General-Concil herausgegebenen Kirchenbücher und andere Schriften in den zu uns gehörenden Gemeinden einzuführen.

Obwohl ich keine Vice-Präsident des General-Concils bin, — weil unsere Synode zu keinem berechtigt ist, dieweil ein Glied derselben Präsident des General-Concils ist, — so liegt es mir doch daran, den Sinn dieses Beschlusses, nämlich, daß die Präsidenten der Distrikts-Synoden diese Sache vorlegen sollten auszuführen.

Ich setze voraus, daß das Ministerium von Pennsylvanien, als es eine allgemeine Verbindung der Synoden vorschlug, unter den verschiedenen Zwecken, welche es im Auge hatte, auch eine größere Einigkeit in der Ordnung des öffentlichen Gottesdienstes in allen also verbundenen Synoden und Gemeinden anstrebte. Obwohl wir vollkommen mit dem 7. Artikel der Augsburgischen Confession übereinstimmen, „denn dieses ist genug zu wahrer Einigkeit der christlichen Kirchen, daß da einträchtiglich nach reinem Verstand das Evangelium gepredigt und die Sacramente dem göttlichen Wort gemäß gereicht werden. — Und ist nicht noth zu wahrer Einigkeit der christlichen Kirchen, daß allenthalben gleichförmige Ceremonien, von den Menschen eingesetzt, gehalten werden," so glauben wir doch nicht, daß es diesem Bekenntniß, oder dem Geist des Evangeliums widerspricht, wenn wir den Wunsch hegen, daß die Gemeinden, die sich aus freien Stücken mit einander auf dem Grunde des reinen Verstandes des Evangeliums und der schriftgemäßen Verwaltung der Sacramente in den einzelnen Synoden und im General-Concil verbunden haben, sich ernstlich befleißigen sollten, die äußerliche Einigkeit, die so schön und erbaulich ist, und die in einem so hohen Grade auf dem Gebrauch derselben Kirchenbücher beruht, herbeizuführen.

Die Geschichte unserer ehrwürdigen Synode beweist, daß sie diesen wichtigen Gegenstand stets vor Augen hatte und sie ist den Gemeinden unseres Landes in dieser Hinsicht eine Führerin geworden, indem sie sich die Aufgabe stellte, die Gemeinden mit Büchern zu versorgen, durch welche diese zur Erbauung dienende Eintracht vermehrt werden möchte.

Nie hat sie ihren Gemeinden einen Zwang auferlegt, denn sie hielt stets zu viel auf „die Freiheit, damit uns Christus befreiet hat"; aber eines hat sie gethan, — sie hat den Gemeinden gute Bücher in die Hand gelegt, und den Versuch gemacht, dieselben zur rechten Anerkennung und zum Gebrauch derselben anzuleiten.

Das nun, welches sie für ihre eigenen Gemeinden wünscht, begehrt sie für alle, und sie nahm herzlichen Antheil mit den anderen Synoden des General-Concils in der Zubereitung solcher Bücher, die dazu dienen sollten, die Gemeinden des General-Concils durch eine solche liebliche Eintracht näher mit einander zu verbinden. Ja, sie geht noch weiter. Sie würde sich freuen, wenn alle Lutheraner unseres Landes, ja der ganzen Welt, in der Ausübung ihrer christlichen Freiheit und Liebe sich dahin einigen würden, dieselbe Ordnung des

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Gottesdienstes und dieselben Bücher zum kirchlichen Gebrauch in den verschiedenen Sprachen, die in unserer Kirche gesprochen werden, — einzuführen.

Von ganzem Herzen also willfahre ich dem Wunsche des General-Concils, indem ich diesem ehrwürdigen Körper die Wichtigkeit der Einführung solcher Bücher in allen unseren Gemeinden dringend ans Herz lege.

Das Gedächtniß H. H. Mühlenbergs.

In seinem in Pottstown 1881 vorgelegten Präsidenten-Bericht machte Dr. W. J. Mann die Synode auf den herannahenden hundertjährigen Todestag H. H. Mühlenbergs, der am 7. Oktober 1787 aus diesem Erdenleben schied, aufmerksam und legte der Synode die Frage vor, ob das nicht eine geeignete Zeit sein möchte, um ein passendes Denkmal zu errichten. Die Synode war mit diesem Vorschlag einverstanden und ernannte eine Committee, — die Doktoren W. J. Mann und C. P. Krauth, Pastor B. W. Schmauk und die Herren Johann R. Baker und Karl Schäffer, M. D., um die Sache in Erwägung zu nehmen, und bei der nächsten jährlichen Versammlung zu berichten. Bei der nächsten Versammlung lag aber kein Bericht vor und die Committee wurde aufs Neue ernannt, mit folgender Aenderung: — Die Doktoren W. J. Mann, B. M. Schmucker, C. P. Krauth, und die Herren Johann R. Baker und Karl H. Schäffer. Ehe die Synode wieder zusammen kam, war Dr. Krauth gestorben. In den Verhandlungen der Synode von 1883 und 1884 ist nichts über diesen Gegenstand zu finden. Der Vorsitzer hat mir mitgetheilt, daß er diese Sache mit Dr. Krauth besprach, daß aber des Letzteren Gesundheitszustand damals der Art war, daß die Sache nicht weiter betrieben werden konnte.

Ich erlaube mir bei dieser Gelegenheit die Synode wieder auf den Anno 1881 gefaßten Beschluß aufmerksam zu machen, und die Frage vorzulegen, welche weitere Schritte in dieser Angelegenheit zu nehmen sind?

Die Revision der Synodal-Constitution.

In seinem letzten Jahresbericht machte mein Vorgänger auf die bei der letztjährigen Versammlung vorgelegte revidirte Constitution dieses Körpers aufmerksam und schlug vor, die Sache auf eine solche Weise zu betreiben, „damit bei der gegenwärtigen Versammlung über das Ganze verfügt werden kann; — und, sollte dieses unausführbar sein, so wäre der nächstbeste Schritt der, die neue Ordnung vorläufig und versuchsweise anzunehmen." Die Synode verwandte die Vormittage von Freitag und Samstag auf die Erwägung der vorgeschlagenen Ordnung und nahm nachher folgenden, von Dr. J. A. Seiß eingebrachten Beschluß an: — „daß die revidirte Constitution, Nebengesetze und Geschäftsregel dieses Ministeriums und der Conferenzen, wie dieselbe von der damit betrauten Committee befürwortet, mit den vorgeschlagenen Aenderungen in den Verhandlungen gedruckt und das Ganze bei der nächsten Synodalversammlung laut § 148 der gegenwärtigen Constitution, entschieden und angenommen werden soll."

Demgemäß ist die Constitution in den Verhandlungen gedruckt, und sind auch gedruckte Exemplare in deutscher Sprache den Predigern und Gemeinden zugesandt worden und dieselbe ist auch in verschiedenen Distrikts-Conferenzen besprochen worden.

Ich bin der Ueberzeugung, daß die Synode die Wichtigkeit einer schleunigen Erwägung und Annahme der revidirten Constitution erkennt. Obwohl

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die gegenwärtige Constitution bis zur Annahme von Aenderungen gelten wird, so ist doch zu wünschen, daß die Verlegenheit und Verwirrung, welche durch die im Jahre 1871 durchgesehene und in einem Pamphlete von elf Seiten erschienene „Conferenz-Constitution" verursacht worden ist, vermieden werde. Ich sah mich genöthigt, und Andere haben wahrscheinlich dieselbe Erfahrung gemacht, mir von Jemand, der sich die Mühe genommen hatte, die Aenderungen zu erörtern, zeigen zu lassen, welche von ihnen angenommen und welche verworfen wurden. Auch sollte nicht vergessen werden, daß manche von diesen Aenderungen gewisse Punkte der Ministerial-Constitution berührten.

Wenn das Ministerium bei der diesjährigen Versammlung keine raschere Fortschritte macht als im letzten Jahre, so dürften wohl noch manche Jahre dahin gehen, ehe wir diese nothwendige Arbeit zu Ende bringen. Ich verstehe wohl, daß die Aenderung einer Constitution eine sehr ernste Sache ist, daß jedes Glied dieses Körpers Gelegenheit bekommen sollte, seine Ansichten darzulegen, und daß kein Punkt ohne eine gründliche Erwägung angenommen werden sollte. Nichtsdestoweniger sind wir der Gefahr ausgesetzt, die Sache zu weit zu treiben und zu viel Zeit auf die Erwägung minder wichtiger Punkte zu verwenden.

Ich erlaube mir deshalb vorzuschlagen, daß die Erwägung der vorgeschlagenen Constitution nicht nur am Freitag und Samstag Vormittag, sondern so oft als die Synode bei der diesjährigen Sitzung Gelegenheit dafür findet, vorgenommen werde. Nach dem bei der letzten Synodal-Versammlung angenommenen Vorschlag, und auch § 148 der bestehenden Constitution, liegt die bei jener Versammlung berichtete und in den Verhandlungen abgedruckte revidirte Constitution gleichsam auf dem Tische, nicht nur um besprochen zu werden, sondern auch um angenommen zu werden, „wenn zwei Drittheile der Glieder dafür stimmen". Wenn diese Auslegung des betreffenden Paragraphen die richtige ist, so ist die Synode im Stande, die einzelnen Punkte der neuen Constitution durch eine Stimmenmehrheit von zwei Drittheilen der Glieder anzunehmen.

Das neue Seminar-Gebäude.

Auf unserer jährlichen Versammlung in Norristown Anno 1883 wurde „Beschlossen, daß dieses Ministerium, als Synode in dem Jahr versammelt, darin Dr. Martin Luthers vierhundertjähriger Geburtstag gefeiert wird, dieses Jahr dadurch auszeichne, daß es im Namen des Herrn ernstlich Anstrengungen mache, ein neues und besser geeignetes Gebäude für das theologische Seminar zu errichten."

„Beschlossen, daß eine Committee ernannt werde, welche der Synode Vorschläge zur Ausführung dieses Beschlusses vorlegen soll."

Es ist ihnen allen bekannt, was in jenem denkwürdigen Jahre gethan wurde, und welche Beschlüsse auf unserer letztjährigen Versammlung in Reading (1884) gefaßt worden sind. Ich habe ihnen schon berichtet, was gethan worden ist, um das Grundstück, auf welchem das neue Seminar errichtet werden soll, zu erwerben, und der Bericht der Direktoren des Seminars, sowie der des von der Synode erwählten Agenten, werden derselben weiteren Aufschluß geben über alles, was zur Ausführung der Beschlüsse dieses Körpers in dieser Angelegenheit gethan worden ist.

Nach Allem, was auf den Synoden zu Philadelphia, Norristown und Reading gesprochen worden, und dem feierlichen Beschlusse „im Namen des

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Herrn" einen ernstlichen Versuch zu machen, neue Gebäude für das theologische Seminar in Philadelphia zu errichten, mag es wohl als unnöthig angesehen werden, noch weitere Worte hinzuzusetzen, besonders in den Präsidenten-Bericht. Hiegegen würde es gewiß sehr sonderbar sein, wenn ich über ein so wichtiges Unternehmen kein Wort in meinem Jahres-Bericht verlauten lassen würde, und insbesondere in dieser Stadt Allentown.

Vor gerade einundzwanzig Jahren entschloß sich dieser Körper bei der Synodal-Versammlung in Pottstown, am 25. Mai 1864, in Gottes Namen die Gründung eines theologischen Seminars in Angriff zu nehmen. Es wurde weiterhin beschlossen, daß wegen der großen Wichtigkeit einer schleunigen Betreibung dieser Angelegenheit eine Special-Versammlung der Synode berufen werden solle. Diese Specialsitzung wurde in dieser Kirche, in welcher wir heute versammelt sind (der englischen St. Johannis-Kirche), am 26. und 27. Juli 1864 gehalten. In dieser Kirche, gerade vor einundzwanzig Jahren, hatte ich als Vorsitzer der Committee die Ehre, die Namen der ersten Professoren und der Glieder des provisorischen Verwaltungsraths vorzuschlagen, und hier wurde das erste Direktorium und die ersten fünf Professoren erwählt. Diese wurden nachher in einer anderen St. Johannis-Kirche (Philadelphia) am 4. Oktober 1864 feierlich in ihr Amt eingeführt, und an dem darauf folgenden Tage nahmen sie nach nöthiger Prüfung die ersten Studenten auf und eröffneten somit das Seminar. Von jenen ersten Studenten sind heute welche zugegen, um sich mit dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien zu freuen, daß das theologische Seminar mündig geworden ist!

Was dieses Seminar seither geleistet hat, und was unsere Gemeinden für dasselbe gethan haben, ist ihnen allen bekannt. Die Thatsache, daß dasselbe heute nicht nur existirt, sondern mehr Studenten zählt als je zuvor, und mehr Raum und geeignetere Gebäude verlangt, sollte die Synode antreiben, dieses einundzwanzigste Jahr dieser rüstigen Anstalt dadurch auszuzeichnen, daß sie sich entschließt, aufs Neue und mit allgemeinem Enthusiasmus den Versuch zu machen, die nöthigen Gebäude auf dem bestimmten Grundstück zu errichten.

Der Herr Jesus sprach: „Wer seine Hand an den Pflug legt, und siehet zurück, der ist nicht geschickt zum Reich Gottes." — Als wir mit dem Gedanken umgingen, ein Gebäude zu errichten, vergaßen wir die Regel nicht, die Er an einem anderen Orte anführt, sondern setzten uns zuvor und überschlugen die Kosten, ob wir es auch haben, hinaus zu führen. Wir glaubten, daß wir es in den Händen unseres Volkes, das wir vertreten und zu dessen Vorteile dieses Gebäude errichtet werden soll, wirklich hatten. Wir fingen in des Herrn Namen an und glaubten, daß unsere Gemeinden mithelfen würden. Lassen sie uns darum vorangehen, nicht nur das Fundament zu legen, sondern auf demselben weiter zu bauen, auf daß nicht „Alle, die es sehen, anfangen unserer zu spotten und sagen, diese Leute hoben an zu bauen und konnten es nicht hinausführen." Wir wissen, „wo der Herr nicht das Haus bauet, so arbeiten umsonst, die daran bauen," und darum bitten wir Ihn um Gnade und Kraft. Es ist ja Sein Haus und nicht das unsrige: eine Prophetenschule, in welcher Arbeiter herangebildet werden, die Sein Wort predigen sollen. Geschehe es bei uns und unseren Gemeinden wie in den Tagen des Nehemia! Als er seinem Volke gesagt hatte von der Hand seines Gottes, die gut über ihm war, sprachen die Leute: „So laßt uns auf sein!" Und „sie baueten und ihre Hände wurden gestärkt zum Guten." — „Und das Volk gewann ein Herz zu arbeiten."

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Möge der Geist, der uns vor einundzwanzig Jahren in dieser Kirche belebte, uns mit neuem Eifer und mit frischer Kraft erfüllen!

Mühlenberg College.

Da wir in dieser Stadt versammelt sind, wäre es gewiß ein Unrecht, wenn ich in diesem Berichte nichts von jener anderen Anstalt sagen würde, mit welcher die Synode verbunden ist, und deren Wohlfahrt so innig mit der unseres Seminars verwoben ist. Ich beziehe mich auf Mühlenberg College. Die Glieder dieses Körpers sind mit ihrer Geschichte, ihren Schwierigkeiten und den ernsten Bemühungen, ihre hohe Aufgabe zu lösen, welche diese Anstalt gemacht hat, so wie mit ihren Verdiensten um die Kirche und die Bevölkerung in welcher sie arbeitet, hinlänglich bekannt. Die Synode hat schon oft ihr Interesse an dieser durchaus nöthigen Anstalt an den Tag gelegt und ich bin der Ueberzeugung, daß dieselbe mit Verlangen dem Tage entgegensieht, an welchem es ihr gelingen möchte, diese Anstalt hinlänglich zu fundiren und solche Gebäude für dieselbe zu errichten, die der Synode, so wie der Stadt, in welcher diese Anstalt die Interessen einer höheren Schulbildung vertritt, zur Ehre gereichen mögen. Die Mittel, die unserem Ministerium zu Gebote stehen, sind gewiß hinreichend, um das Seminar und das College zu erhalten und das Ministerium kann sich keine bessere Aufgabe stellen, als mit vereinter Kraft dahin zu wirken, daß beide Anstalten in den Stand gesetzt werden, ihre hohe Aufgabe auf die allerbeste Weise zu lösen.

Schluß.

Ich brauche dem Ministerium keine neue Arbeit vorzuschlagen, denn dieser Bericht hat an den Tag gelegt, daß wir genug vor uns haben, um unsre ganze Zeit in Anspruch zu nehmen. Lassen Sie uns muthig an die Arbeit gehen, mit dem Entschluß, so lange als es nöthig ist, hier zu bleiben. Möge jeder Delegat, die Abgeordneten der Gemeinden, so wie die Prediger einen thätigen Antheil an unseren Verhandlungen nehmen und bedenken, daß wir alle Brüder und Glieder am Leibe Christi sind.

„Es sind mancherlei Gaben, aber es ist ein Geist. Und es sind mancherlei Aemter, aber es ist ein Herr. Und es sind mancherlei Kräfte, aber es ist ein Gott, der da wirket alles in allen. In einem jeglichen erzeigen sich die Gaben des Geistes zum gemeinen Nutzen."

Mit dem Gebet, daß der Geist der Wahrheit euch in allen euren Berathschlagungen leiten möge, bringe ich hiermit das Jahr meines Präsidiums zum Abschluß.

G. F. Krotel.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte die Pastoren: J. N. Groff und W. H. Rickert und Herrn J. F. Allen als Committee, die Stimmzettel für die Beamtenwahl entgegenzunehmen. Der deutsche Sekretär zeigte brieflich an, daß er genöthigt sei, eine Wiedererwählung abzulehnen, da er um seiner Gesundheit willen der Erholung bedürfe.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte Pastor J. Kohler, den liturgischen Theil des Gottesdienstes zu übernehmen, welcher Abends in den englischen St. Johannis-Kirche im Interesse der Einheimischen Mission gehalten werden soll.

Pastor J. D. Schindel verlas den Bericht des Schatzmeisters des Ministeriums, Pastor J. B. Rath, welcher lautet wie folgt:

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Bericht des Schatzmeisters.

J. B. Rath, Schatzmeister, in Rechnung mit dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien. Für das Synodal-Jahr, endigend am 23. Mai 1885.

I. General-Fond.

Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
Beiträge von Gemeinden.....	$11,593 28	Mühlenberg Collegium.....	$1,000 00
Prämien für englischen Katechismus (G. W. Frederick)..	26 85	Zinsen für Seminar-Anleihen..	1,283 70
Deutsches Gesangbuch.....	2,427 50	An Frau M. Krauth.....	500 00
Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr..	1,565 06	Ausgaben der Beamten.....	129 05
		Drucksachen.....	840 50
		Gehalt des Schatzmeisters.....	400 00
		Unkosten für Aufbewahrung von Dr. Krauths Bibliothek.	90 00
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		„ „ Pastor Dr. A. Späth.....	10 00
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		Ausgaben von Pastor F. J. F. Schantz.....	8 90
		Abgegeben an Erziehungskasse	4,032 87
		„ „ Einh. Mission..	4,275 31
		„ „ Heiden Mission	500 00
		„ „ deutsche Einh. Missions-Committee d. General-Concils.....	500 00
		Kirchendiener, Reading.....	10 00
		Baar in der Kasse.....	1,997 36
	$15,612 69		$15,612 69

II. Erziehungs-Kasse.

Beiträge von Gemeinden.....	$1,005 14	Studenten im Seminar.....	$2,992 50
Jungkurth-Fond-Zinsen, per Dr. C. W. Schäffer.....	12 00	Studenten im Mühlenberg-Collegium.....	2,082 51
Zinsen vom Bremer-Fond.....	25 00		
Aus dem General-Fond.....	4,032 87		
	$5,075 01		$5,075 01

III. Einheimische Missions-Kasse.

Beiträge von Gemeinden.....	$1,191 77	Missionen der Synode.....	$2,407 50
Aus dem General-Fond	4,275 31	Englische Stadt-Mission von Philadelphia.....	1,450 50
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	$5,572 08		$5,572 08

IV. Heiden-Mission.

Beiträge von Gemeinden.....	$2,613 02	Ausbezahlt an den Schatzmeister des General-Concils.....	$3,243 02
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	$536 22		$536 22

VI. Englisches Gesangbuch-Kasse.

Prämien von Sherman & Co.	$ 900 00	Ausbezahlt an den Schatzmeister des General-Concils	$ 700 00
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		Baar in der Kasse	521 68
	$1,385 38		$1,385 38

VII. Deutsches Gesangbuch-Kasse.

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VIII. Einheimische Mission des General-Concils.

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Beiträge für Gehalt	$826 25	Ausbezahlt an Prof. Wackernagel	$826 25

X. Kasse des Theologischen Seminars.

1. Laufende Einnahmen und Ausgaben.

Empfangen v. früheren Schatzmeister	$ 822 18	Gehalt der Professoren	$5,100 00
Beiträge von Gemeinden	181 45	An Dr. Spaeth	300 00
Zinsen vom fundirten Kapital	7,052 64	Gehalt des Seminardieners	187 50
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		Baar in der Kasse	607 67
	$8,056 27		$8,056 27

2. Rechnung über das Fundirungs-Kapital.

Empfangen v. früheren Schatzmeister	$ 738 90	Bezahlt Hypotheke, 2009 Columbia Avenue	$4,000 00
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	$33,638 76		$33,638 76

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3. Rechnung über den neuen Seminarbau.

Empfangen v. früheren Schatzmeister	$ 7,737 25	Ausbezahlt für Bauplatz	$16,327 20
Empfangen von einzelnen Gemeinden	12,467 79	Baar in der Kasse	3,877 84
	$20,205 04		$20,205 04

4. Bibliothek-Fond.

Zinsen für Hypotheke von J. Ostertag, für 18 Monate	$ 76 50	Deponirt	$101 50
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Zusammenstellung.

Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
General-Fond	$15,612 69	Synodal	$4,707 15
Erziehung	1,042 14	Erziehung	5,075 01
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„ H. S. Fegley	*25 00		84 00
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„ J. Fry	10 00	„ W. J. Mann	*500 00
„ G. F. Gardner	38 81	„ A. B. Markley	74 05
	23 00	„ A. Martin	*100 00
„ W. H. Geiger	*5 00	„ W. H. Myers	*100 00
„ H. Grahn	25 00		*25 00
	120 45	„ J. H. Neiman	3 00
„ E. Greenwald	*100 00	„ J. E. Ridecker	1,201 98
„ J. R. Groff	13 50	„ S. E. Ochsenford	10 00
„ J. Gruhler	*25 00	„ J. G. Pfuhl	30 00
„ J. D. Haeger	*2 50	„ J. B. Rath	18 21
„ S. S. Henry	118 68	„ J. Rechtsteiner	1 00

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Pastor E. L. Reed	90 42	Pastor T. M. Stetler	$ 5 00
„ W. M. Rehrig	10 00	„ D. D. Trexler	*25 00
„ W. Rieb	150 00	„ Fred. Veit	10 00
„ B. Sadtler	*25 00	„ A. G. Voigt	20 00
„ F. J. F. Schantz	*25 00	„ F. Walz	*50 00
„ B. W. Schmauk	1500 00	„ A. F. Weddell	200 00
	*100 00	„ C. F. Welden	25 00
„ T. E. Schmauk	*50 00	„ J. H. Wendel	*6 50
„ H. C. Schmidt	*50 00		154 25
„ B. M. Schmucker	461 00	„ F. Wischan	25 00
„ H. Schoppe	0 50	„ S. A. Ziegenfuß	*25 00
„ J. A. Seiß	*25 00	„ R. M. Zimmerman	32 29
„ Enoch Smith	2 00	Plantagenet per Dr. H. C. J.	5 00
„ Lewis Smith	15 00	Leser des "Lutheran"	1 08
„ B. S. Smoll	20 00	St. John's Kirche Wilkesbarre	54 00

Die mit * bezeichneten sind persönl. Beiträge.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen, um später einer Committee zur Prüfung übergeben zu werden.

Auf Antrag von Pastor R. Hill wurde die Zeit der Sitzungen von 8½—11½ Uhr Vormittags und von 2—5 Uhr Nachmittags festgesetzt.

Pastor A. Späth, D. D., erhielt Erlaubniß, die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf die Diakonissensache zu lenken.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte eine Committee, um der Synode Beschlüsse über diesen Gegenstand vorzulegen.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Ehrw. C. W. Schäffer, D. D.

Bei dem Abendgottesdienst in der englischen St. Johannis-Kirche hielten Pastor S. Laird in englischer und Pastor F P. Mayser in deutscher Sprache Reden über die einheimische Mission. Pastor J. Kohler leitete den Altargottesdienst.

Zweite Sitzung.

Freitag, den 29. Mai 1885, 8½ Uhr Vorm.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gesang, Schriftverlesung und Gebet von Pastor G. D. Bernheim, D. D., eröffnet.

Die Verhandlungen der ersten Sitzung wurden vom englischen Sekretär verlesen und angenommen.

Die Wahl-Committee stattete ihren Bericht ab, wonach Pastor G. F. Krotel, D. D., wiederum als Präsident, Pastor C. J. Cooper als englischer Sekretär und Pastor J. B. Rath als Schatzmeister erwählt sind. Da die nöthige Stimmenmehrheit für den deutschen Sekretär fehlte, so mußte eine zweite Wahl anberaumt werden.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte folgende Committeen:

1. **Ueber den Jahresbericht des Präsidenten:** Die Pastoren: J. Kohler, W. Rath, G. D. Bernheim, D. D., B. W. Schmauk, J. F. Wampole, M. C. Horine und die Laien-Delegaten: R. A. Baer, Dr. J. Miller, Prof. R. K. Bührle.

2. **Ueber den Bericht des Schatzmeisters:** Die Pastoren: J. D.

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Schindel, J. E. Nidecker, E. Smith, J. R. Groff und die Laien-Delegaten: J. C. File, H. Lehman, A. J. D. Wedemeyer.

3. Ueber Entschuldigungen: Die Pastoren: J. W. Early, J. J. Creßmann, C. E. Fry, G. D. Foust, M. Schimpf, A. G. Voigt.

4. Ueber die Rechnung des Präsidenten: Die Pastoren: C. W. Schäffer, D. D., C. F. Welden und E. A. Bauer.

5. Ueber Parochial-Berichte: Die Pastoren: L. Groh, E. L. Reed, F. P. Mayser, H. N. Fegley, M. C. Rath und die Laien-Delegaten: G. Leibley, D. B. Esterley, B. P. Waltman.

6. Ueber die Diakonissen-Sache: Die Pastoren: A. Spaeth, D. D., J. A. Seiß, D. D., B. M. Schmucker, D. D., und die Laien-Delegaten: John Born, C. F. Kopitzsch.

Der englische Sekretär berichtete, daß die Collekte zum Besten der Einheimischen Mission beim Gottesdienst am Abend zuvor sich auf $32.19 belaufe.

Die vorgeschlagene revidirte Constitution des Ministeriums wurde zur Besprechung vorgenommen. Die Besprechung fing mit Paragraph 8, Abschnitt III, Kapitel 2 (S. 4 deutsches Ex.) an, wo letztes Jahr abgebrochen wurde. Pastor H. Grahn verlas die deutsche Uebersetzung. Im achten Paragraphen sollen die Worte: „von Schwierigkeiten" ausgestrichen werden. Mit dieser Verbesserung wurde der Paragraph, wie auch die Paragraphen 9, 10, 11, 12 und 13 angenommen. Letzterer mit einem Zusatz, so daß der Schluß des Paragraphen also lautet: „aber keine Conferenz darf eine Gemeinde entlassen oder einen Pfarrer von einem andern Körper aufnehmen oder an denselben entlassen."

Die Wahl-Committee berichtete, daß wiederum kein deutscher Sekretär erwählt worden sei. Die nächste Wahl beschränkte sich auf die Pastoren H. B. Strohbach und G. A. Brügel, welche die höchste Stimmenzahl erhielten. Ersterer zog seinen Namen zurück, worauf der englische Sekretär von der Synode beauftragt wurde, in ihrem Namen die Stimme für Pastor G. A. Brügel abzugeben. Dies geschah. Als aber der erwählte Sekretär davon in Kenntniß gesetzt wurde, lehnte auch er die Annahme ab.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D.

Dritte Sitzung.

Freitag, den 29. Mai 1885, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gesang, Schriftverlesung und Gebet in deutscher Sprache von Pastor L. Groh eröffnet.

Die Verhandlungen der Vormittags-Sitzung wurden vom englischen Sekretär verlesen und mit einigen Verbesserungen angenommen.

Da Pastor G. A. Brügel das Amt des deutschen Sekretärs ablehnte, so mußte eine neue Wahl angeordnet werden. An Stelle von Pastor J. R. Groff von der Wahl-Committee, wurde wegen dessen Abwesenheit Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß ernannt.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas hierauf den

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Bericht der Executiv-Committee.

Die Executiv-Committee hielt in dem verflossenen Synodaljahr 4 Versammlungen in Reading, Pa.

I. Erziehungssache.

Während des verflossenen Jahres haben 36 Studenten, die sich auf das Predigtamt vorbereiten, Unterstützung aus der Synodalkasse erhalten, nämlich:

Im theologischen Seminar.

In der Seniorklasse: A. N. J. Gräpp, A. J. Heißler, N. D. Röder, J. K. Wißmer.

In der Mittelklasse: J. J. Faust, J. J. Kline, F. Kayser, J. H. Ritter, W. F. Schöner, J. O. Schlenker, J. W. Smith.

In der Juniorklasse: W. J. Fink, J. J. Heißler, W. D. C. Keiter, E. F. Krause, H. J. Kuder, J. J. Reitz, J. G. Schäffer, S. G. Weiskotten, W. F. Zieter.

Die Gesammtzahl der Benefizianten im Seminar ist demnach 20.

Im Mühlenberg-Collegium.

In der Seniorklasse: C. C. Boyer, K. B. Lynch, W. Weickfel, E. A. Yehl.

In der Juniorklasse: C. J. Jeffries, E. T. Kretschmann, V. Schmidt, H. K. Weaver.

In der Freshmanklasse: W. F. Bond, C. D. Claus, E. Fetter, D. G. Gerberich, J. F. Lambert, O. G. Scheirer.

Gesammtzahl 14.

Im Thiel-Collegium.

In der Seniorklasse: P. A. J. Lamertine.

In der Sophomoreklasse: P. J. K. Glatzert.

Gesammtzahl 2.

Die Ausgaben, welche die Committee zur Unterstützung der oben genannten Studenten aus der Synodalkasse gemacht hat, belaufen sich auf $5075.01 und zwar:

Für die Studenten im theologischen Seminar . . .	$2992.50.
„ „ „ Mühlenberg-Collegium . . .	1889.63.
„ „ „ Thiel Collegium	192.88.
Zusammen	$5075.01.

Nicht mit eingerechnet sind hier die Stipendien (scholarships), welche der Committee von folgenden Personen und Gemeinden zur Verfügung gestellt wurden:

1. Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Reading, Pa.
2. Herrn W. A. Arnold, Reading, Pa.
3. Herrn S. H. Kutz, Reading, Pa.
4. St. Jakobus-Gemeinde, Reading, Pa.

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5. Herrn J. Fegely, Pottstown, Pa.
6. Herrn G. H. Reinöhl, Lebanon, Pa.
7. Emanuels-Gemeinde, Pottstown, Pa.
8. Herrn H. Trexler, Reading, Pa.

Dadurch, daß diese Stipendien der Synode zur Verfügung gestellt wurden, sind ihr $400 erspart worden.

Die Berichte der Facultäten des theologischen Seminars und der Collegien über Fleiß, Betragen und Fortschritt der stipendirten Studenten wurden entgegengenommen, sorgfältig geprüft und befriedigend gefunden.

Die Zahl der Applikanten um Unterstützung war größer, als die in den früheren Jahren.

Die Committee verwilligte gemäß eines Synodal-Beschlusses dem Mühlenberg-Collegium während des Jahres aus der Synodalkasse eine Unterstützung von $1000.

Zur Deckung der Extra-Auslagen für Studenten, die außerhalb des theologischen Seminars logirten, wurden $50 verwilligt.

II. Einheimische Mission.

29 Missionen, im Verbande dieser Synode stehend, wurden im Laufe des verflossenen Jahres von der Committee unterstützt.

5 derselben stehen unter der Aufsicht der deutschen Stadtmissionsbehörde, 6 unter der englischen. Die übrigen 19 unter der direkten Aufsicht der Executive-Committee.

Die Mission in Girardville, Schuylkill Co., Pa., Pastor W. H. Rehrig, wurde am 1. Oktober 1884 selbstständig.

Unterstützungen wurden neuen Missionsstellen verwilligt.

Die Missionen, welche unter der direkten Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehen, sind folgende:

In der ersten Conferenz.

1. Hainesport und Riverside, N. J.—Pastor A. Voigt, wohnhaft in Mt. Holly, N. J. Die Mission hat circa 60 Glieder in Hainesport und circa 40 in Riverside. Der Missionar berichtet erfreuliche Fortschritte des Werkes. Da sehr wenig Zuwachs von deutscher Seite her ist, so nimmt die Mission nicht so rasch zu, als es bei einem größeren Zufluß deutscher Emigranten der Fall wäre. Gottesdienst und Sonntagschule sind gut besucht.

Dieser Mission wurde eine jährliche Unterstützung von $200 verwilligt.

2. Chester, Pa.—Diese Mission wurde das Jahr hindurch von der I. Conferenz aushilfsweise bedient. Die Kirche, in welcher früher die Gemeinde ihre Gottesdienste hielt, wurde verkauft. Die Gemeinde wurde reorganisirt und nun wird Gottesdienst in West-Chester gehalten. Die Mission hatte viel durchzumachen und die I. Conferenz gibt sich nun Mühe, das Wohl dieser Mission zu befördern. Im Anfang des Synodaljahres leistete Pastor Pohle der Mission ersprießliche Dienste. In letzter Zeit hat Pastor Wendel sich um dieses Feld angenommen. $150 wurden im Laufe des Jahres diesem Missionsfeld zugetheilt.

3. Millville &c., N. J.—Dieses Missionsfeld hat letztes Jahr keinen ständigen Pastor gehabt. Die I. Conferenz sorgte für Aushilfe. Dieselbe war beauftragt, zu sehen, ob diese Stelle nicht besetzt werden könnte, ohne der Synode zu viel aufzuerlegen.

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4. Doylestown, Pa.—Pastor A. R. Horne, D. D., bediente die Gemeinde aushilfsweise. Verwilligung für das Jahr, $30.

In der zweiten Conferenz.

1. Philippsburg, N. J. (Deutsche St. Johannis-Gemeinde.) Pastor S. B. Stupp. Diese Gemeinde bat abermals beim Beginn des laufenden Synodaljahres um Unterstützung. Sie ist nun günstiger gestellt. Der Pastor selbst hegt die besten Hoffnungen. Verflossenes Jahr wurden $60 verwilligt. Die Conferenz bat um keine weitere Unterstützung.

2. Bangor, Northampton Co., Pa.—Pastor B. F. Apple. Diese neue Mission, von welcher voriges Jahr große Fortschritte gemeldet wurden, hat seit der letzten Synodalsitzung viel durchmachen müssen. Der Pastor gibt die Zahl von 150 Gliedern an. Die Sonntagschule zählt 180 Schüler. Bei besseren Geschäftszeiten kann die Gemeinde mehr für die Vollendung ihres Gotteshauses thun. Unterstützung $200.

3. Weatherly, Carbon Co., Pa.—Pastor L. Smith. Diese Mission zählt gegenwärtig ca. 120 Communicanten — ein Zuwachs von 40 Gliedern seit Oktober 1883, da der Pastor sein Amt antrat. Die Sonntagschule zählt 10 Lehrer und 40 Schüler. Obgleich die Glieder unter der allgemeinen Geschäftsstockung leiden, macht doch die Gemeinde bemerkenswerthe Fortschritte. Jährliche Unterstützung $100.

4. Sand Cut, Wayne Co., Pa.—Pastor H. T. Clymer. Zu dieser Mission gehören die Grace-Gemeinde in Sand Cut, bestehend aus 26 Gliedern und die St. Johns-Gemeinde in Clifton, bestehend aus 20 Gliedern. Die Sonntagschule in Sand Cut zählt 62 Schüler. Der Pastor arbeitet unermüdet trotz der Entmuthigungen, welche ein solches Werk in einem Feld mit sich bringt, wo der Zuwachs kein rascher sein kann. Diese Stelle erhält eine jährliche Unterstützung von $100.

5. Die englische Mission in Scranton, Pa.—Pastor M. L. Zweizig. Die Mission gibt Zeichen einer hoffnungsvollen Zunahme. Die Gemeinde zählt ca. 80 Glieder. Ein Bauplatz für ein Gotteshaus ist erworben worden und man hofft, noch im Laufe dieses Jahres, eine Capelle darauf zu errichten. Die Gemeinde ist durch Erwerb des Bauplatzes bedenklich in Schulden gerathen, und bedarf dringend der Hilfe christlicher Freunde. Die jährliche Unterstützung beläuft sich auf $400.

6. Wilkesbarre, Pa.—St. Johns-Gemeinde. Dieselbe ist immer noch ohne Pastor. Seit der Resignation des letzten Pastors wird jeden Sonntag aushilfsweise Gottesdienst gehalten und zwar unter der Aufsicht des Präsidenten der II. Conferenz. Die Gemeinde zählt 116 Communicanten, die Sonntagschule 250 Schüler. $300 wurden dieser Mission als jährliche Unterstützung verwilligt.

7. Eckley, Luzerne Co., Pa.—Pastor J. H. Schmidt wohnhaft in Freeland, Pa.. Diese Stelle umfaßt 4 Gemeinden in Luzerne Co., Eckley, Jeddo, Freeland, Ober Lecha. Der Missionar arbeitet nach wie vor mit viel Eifer. Obgleich die Gottesdienste gut besucht sind, so klagt der Missionar doch über manche Mißstände in seinem Felde, besonders über das Vorhandensein von 80 Wirthshäusern bei einer Anzahl von 350—400 Familien. Diese Mission erhielt während des Jahres eine Unterstützung von $150.

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8. Die slavonische Mission in Luzerne Co., Pa.—Pastor Karl Horak, Missionar, wohnhaft in Freeland. Mit dieser Mission wurde im Juni 1883 begonnen. Der Missionar besucht viele Plätze in Luzerne und den umliegenden Counties und bedient die zerstreut wohnenden Leute. Er hat dabei mit vielen Schwierigkeiten zu kämpfen. Die Unterstützung im verflossenen Jahre betrug $150.

9. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde, Catasauqua, Pa.—Pastor C. J. Kohler. Die Gemeinde zählt etwa 50 Glieder. Die Sonntagschule über 200 Schüler. Der Missionar trat während dieses Jahres in sein Feld ein. Die Gemeinde hat Schulden auf ihrer Kirche. Die Verwilligung war $25 vom 1. Juli bis 1. Oktober 1884. Seit Anstellung eines Pastors $200 per Jahr.

In der dritten Conferenz.

1. Girardville, Schuylkill Co., Pa.—Pastor W. H. Rehrig. Diese Mission, gesegnet mit außerordentlichem Erfolg, wurde am 1. Okt. 1884 selbstständig. Jährliche Unterstützung $150.

In der vierten Conferenz.

1. Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co., Pa.—Pastor P. P. Wisser. Die Gemeinde zählt 80 Communicanten. Der Missionar schreibt, daß die Aussichten gut sind. Diese Stelle empfing eine Unterstützung von $100 per Jahr.

2. St. Johns-Gemeinde, Columbia, Pa.—Die Sorge für diese Gemeinde wurde der Committee bei der letzten Synodal-Sitzung von der Synode übertragen. Durch den Tod ihres Pastors, S. Yingling, wurde die Gemeinde vakant, der Präsident der vierten Conferenz sorgte für Aushülfe, bis Pastor J. R. Shoffner an die Gemeinde berufen wurde. Sie zählt ca. 180 Glieder.

$150 wurden als jährliche Unterstützung seit der Anstellung des Pastors bis zu Ende dieses Synodaljahres verwilligt.

In der fünften Conferenz.

1. Lykens, Pa.—Pastor M. B. Lenker. Der Missionar wirkt in Lykens, Williamstown und Tower City. Die Leute arbeiten meistens in den Kohlenminen. Darin liegt auch der Grund, daß die Bevölkerung so oft wechselt, wie es an allen solchen Plätzen der Fall ist. Doch ist die Aussicht gestellt, daß die Gemeinde eine bessere Zukunft vor sich hat. Diese Mission erhielt im verflossenen Jahre eine Unterstützung von $100.

2. Middleburg, Snyder Co., Pa.,—Vakant. Keine Unterstützung im verflossenen Jahr.

3. Jersey Shore, Lycoming Co., Pa.—Pastor S. S. Henry. Die Mission besteht aus der Zions-Gemeinde in Jersey Shore, der Missionsgemeinde in White Deer Valley, Union Co., der St. Jakobus-Gemeinde in Muncy Township, Lycoming Co. Der Missionar arbeitete unermüdlich in seinem Feld bis Februar 1885, wo er ein anderes Feld antrat. Dieser Stelle wurden $150 per Jahr verwilligt.

4. Lykens Valley-Mission.—Pastor S. S. Henry. Die Mission besteht aus drei Gemeinden: Klinger's, Coleman's und Artz, mit ca. 200 Gliedern. Es ist dies ein neues Missionsfeld. Die Aussichten auf baldige Selbstständigkeit sind sehr günstig. Jährliche Verwilligung seit Anstellung eines Pastors $200.

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5. Germania, Potter Co., Pa.—Pastor J. H. Voß. Die Mission besteht aus Gemeinden in Potter und Tioga Counties. Das Feld wurde dem genannten Pastor noch einmal überlassen. Er berichtete über seine Arbeit, — daß aber die Executiv-Committee auf bessere Versorgung dieses Feldes bedacht ist, erhellt aus nachstehend angegebenen Gründen. $200 wurden diesem Felde verwilligt.

In Bezug auf diese Missionen in Potter und Tioga Counties faßte die Executiv-Committee am 7. April 1885 folgende Beschlüsse:

Beschlossen, daß die Dienstzeit von Pastor J. H. Voß als Missionar in Germania mit dieser Synodalsitzung abgelaufen sei und daß wir das Ministerium dringend ersuchen, wie billig, Sorge für den Unterhalt dieses Bruders, als eines alten und schwächlichen Predigers, zu tragen.

Beschlossen, daß eine Committee von zweien ernannt werde, welche sich in Verbindung mit dem Präsidenten der V. Conferenz nach einem Missionar umsehen, ihn berufen und nach Germania und den umliegenden Orten, exclusive Coudersport, senden solle. Herr Candidat J. Darmstätter wurde der Committee empfohlen und dieselbe angewiesen, ihn zu berufen, im Falle er geneigt wäre, die Stelle anzunehmen.

Beschlossen, daß für 6 Monate von dem Amtsantritt des Pastors an eine Unterstützung von $150 gewährt werde.

Die Committee besteht aus den Pastoren: F. P. Mayser, F. J. F. Schantz und J. K. Groff.

In der Sitzung vom 6. Januar 1885 kam folgendes zur Verhandlung: Auf die Nachricht einer kirchlichen Zeitung hin, daß Glieder der Pittsburg-Synode in Coudersport, Potter Co., Pa., also in einem in das Missionsfeld des pennsylvanischen Ministeriums gehörenden Gebiet, Missionsarbeit verrichteten, wurde

Beschlossen, daß das Ministerium ersucht werde, Maßregeln zu ergreifen, die Grenzlinie zwischen dem Gebiet des Ministeriums und dem der Pittsburg-Synode zu bestimmen.

Applikationen um Unterstützung von neuen Missionen innerhalb des Gebiets der Synode wurden gemacht und Hilfe zugesagt, sobald sich ein Missionar in dem betreffenden Feld niedergelassen haben werde.

Die deutsche und die englische Stadtmissionsbehörde werden ihre Berichte über die ihnen zur Versorgung gestellten Missionen selber separat vorbringen.

Die verwilligten Summen der Executiv-Committee und die Ausgaben für Unterstützung der 29 Missionen im Laufe des Jahres belaufen sich auf $5,572.08. Hiervon wurden verausgabt an die 19 direct unter der Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehenden Missionen $2,407.50, an die 5 unter der Aufsicht der deutschen Stadtmissionsbehörde stehenden $1,714.58 und an die 5 der englischen Stadtmissionsbehörde $1,450.00.

Gesammtausgabe der Stadtmission $3,164.58.

Einheimische Mission des General-Concils.

In der Sitzung vom 7. Okt. 1884 erging von der deutschen Einheimischen Missions-Committee des General-Concils die Bitte an die Executiv-Committee, $1,500 aus der Synodal-Casse zu verwilligen, um die Committee in den Stand zu setzen, ihr Erziehungswerk betreiben zu können.

Beschlossen, daß die Summe von $500 der deutschen Einheimischen Missions-Committee des General-Concils verwilligt sei, um sie in ihrem Werk zu unterstützen und daß, wenn es der Stand der Casse erlaubt, dieselbe Summe in der nächsten Aprilsitzung gewährt werden soll.

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Sitzung am 7. April 1885.

Ein Brief vom Sekretär der deutschen Einheimischen Missions-Committee des General-Concils mit der Bitte um Unterstützung von der Executiv-Committee für besagte Committee wurde verlesen, — ebenso eine Eingabe der englischen Einheimischen Missions-Committee des General-Concils mit derselben Bitte.

Beschlossen: Die Sache zu verschieben und sie der Synode zu unterbreiten.

Kasse des General-Concils.

In der Oktobersitzung der Executiv-Committee wurden $400 und in der Aprilsitzung $300 vom Church Book-Fond der Kasse des General-Concils für dessen laufende Ausgaben verwilligt.

Heiden-Mission.

In der Januarsitzung wurden $500 für die Heiden-Mission verwilligt, welche aus den Fonds, die in der Kasse zur Vertheilung gelassen werden, bezahlt werden sollen.

Pastors-Wittwen- und Waisen-Fond.

Bei der letzten Synodalsitzung wurde die Executiv-Committee von der Synode mit der Sorge und Vertheilung dieser Kasse betraut. Eine Sub-Committe wurde mit dem Auftrag ernannt, über den Gegenstand Bericht zu erstatten. Mehrere Applicationen liefen ein, welche, im Falle sie als berechtigt und dringend erfunden wurden, auch berücksichtigt und pünktlich besorgt wurden.

Prüfung des Schatzmeister-Berichts.

Der Bericht des Schatzmeisters wurde in den Sitzungen der Executiv-Committee vom October 1884 und Januar und April 1885 untersucht und richtig befunden.

Vorkehrungen für die jährlichen Ansprachen bei der Versammlung des Ministeriums.

Da bei der letzten Synodalversammlung alle früheren Beschlüsse der Synode in Bezug auf die jährlich zu haltenden Ansprachen aufgehoben und die ganze Sache der Executiv-Committee überwiesen wurde, nämlich die Personen, Gegenstände und Sprachen der diesjährigen Ansprachen zu bestimmen, so hat die Executiv-Committee in ihrer Januarsitzung 1885 beschlossen, daß Glieder der Executiv-Committee wohnhaft in Bethlehem und Allentown als eine Committee ernannt seien unter dem Vorsitz des Präsidenten der II. Conferenz, um bei der nächsten Sitzung der Executiv-Committee über die Sache zu berichten. Der Bericht dieser Committee wurde am 6. April 1885 vorgelegt und angenommen wie folgt:

1. Daß die Executiv-Committee für die Synodalgottesdienste folgende Gegenstände zum Vortrag anordnet: Erziehung, Einheimische Mission und Heidenmission.
2. Daß dabei jedes Mal ein englischer und ein deutscher Vortrag gehalten werde. Versammelt sich die Synode in einer Gemeinde zum Gottesdienst, in welcher die englische Sprache vorherrschend ist, so soll der englische Vortrag zuerst gehalten und ihm auch mehr Zeit gestattet werden; umgekehrt, wenn die deutsche Sprache in der Gemeinde vorherrschend ist.
3. Daß die Executiv-Committee die Redner für diese Vorträge ernenne.

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4. Daß der Präsident der Synode in offener Versammlung die Pastoren ernenne welche den liturgischen Theil der Gottesdienste leiten sollen.
5. Der Präsident der Synode soll in Verbindung mit dem Pastor loci die Ordnung des Gottesdienstes für jede Versammlung bestimmen.

Da die Executiv-Committee bei ihrer Aprilsitzung nicht mehr Zeit genug für die betreffenden Ernennungen hatte, so bestimmte sie dazu eine Sub-Committee, welche für die diesjährige Synodal-Versammlung ernannten:

Ueber Einheimische Mission: Donnerstag Abend den 28. Mai 1885, in der St. Johns-Kirche zu Allentown, Pa. Redner: die Pastoren S. Laird (englisch) und F. P. Mayser (deutsch).

Ueber die Erziehungssache: Freitag Abend den 29. Mai 1885, in der St. Michaelis-Kirche zu Allentown, Pa. Redner: die Pastoren G. A. Strunz (deutsch) und J. M. S. Erb (englisch).

Ueber Heidenmission: Montag Abend den 1. Juni 1885, in der St. Michaelis-Kirche zu Allentown, Pa. Redner: die Pastoren A. Späth, D. D. (deutsch) und S. E. Ochsenford (englisch).

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

J. J. Kündig, deutscher Sekretär.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und einstweilen auf den Tisch gelegt. (Für die Erwägung desselben siehe V. Sitzung.)

Abermals berichtete die Wahl-Committee, daß die Wahl für den deutschen Sekretär kein Resultat ergab und es mußte wiederum abgestimmt werden.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte Pastor J. J. Kündig, um den liturgischen Theil des Gottesdienstes zu übernehmen, welcher Abends 7½ Uhr in der St. Michaelis-Kirche im Interesse der Erziehungssache gehalten werden soll.

Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D., Secretär des Verwaltungsraths des theologischen Seminars, verlas den

Bericht des Directoriums des theologischen Seminars.

Am 8. Juli 1884 wurde eine Special-Versammlung der Directoren gehalten, um einen Agenten zu erwählen, welcher Beiträge und Unterschriften für die Errichtung des neuen Seminargebäudes sammeln sollte und um über den Ankauf des Bauplatzes, über den Plan des Gebäudes und dessen Ausführung zu verhandeln.

Die zur Auswahl und zum Ankauf eines Stück Landes für das neue Seminargebäude angestellte Committee berichtete, daß sie Schritte gethan habe, den bei der letzten Synode vorgeschlagenen Bauplatz anzukaufen.

Das Grundstück besteht aus 5.711 Acker; der Ankaufspreis per Acker ist $4,500; nach Abzug eines Beitrags von einem der Eigentümer müßte für den ganzen Grund $24,506.85 bezahlt werden. Die Termine zur Abbezahlung sind noch nicht bestimmt worden; es wird aber angenommen, daß $5,000 beim Abschluß des Ankaufs bezahlt werden müssen, die übrige Summe zu 5 Prozent stehen bleiben kann.

Beschlossen, daß die Bedingungen, unter denen der Grund angeboten worden ist, von den Directoren angenommen werden und dieselben den Ankauf des Landes empfehlen.

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Beschlossen, daß die ganze Summe, die jetzt zu diesem Zweck in der Hand des Schatzmeisters ist, am Tage des Ankaufs ausbezahlt werde und daß die Zeit der Abbezahlung des Restes vom Präsidenten der Synode und von Dr. Rommel unter Zustimmung der Finanz-Committee festgestellt werde.

Beschlossen, daß der zweite Stock des Vordergebäudes des jetzigen Seminars für die Bibliothek benützt, so viel als möglich von Dr. Krauth's Bibliothek dort aufgestellt und von dem übrigem Theil des Gebäudes abgeschlossen werde.

Die ganze Bibliothek von Dr. Krauth ist in den besagten Räumen untergebracht worden und soll bis zur Zeit des Umzugs in's neue Seminargebäude als separate Sammlung gehalten und Zutritt zu derselben nur unter den von der Fakultät festgestellten Regeln gegeben werden.

Die am 12. Juni 1883 ernannte Committee zur Erhebung von Geldern zum Aufbau eines neuen Seminars berichtet, daß sie zwei Rundschreiben ausgehen ließ; das eine unter Datum vom 29. Juni 1883, an die Alumnen, das andere unter Datum vom 5. Juli 1883, an die Pastoren und Kirchenräthe gerichtet; diesen letzteren Circularen waren Karten und Couverte beigegeben. Mehrere Glieder der Committee wohnten Versammlungen bei und suchten deren Interesse für die Sache zu wecken.

Beschlossen, daß die Unkosten fur Drucksachen bezahlt und die Committee entlassen werde.

Pastor R. Hill lehnte den Ruf der Synode als Agent für das neue Seminargebäude zu dienen unter der damals bestehenden Sachlage ab. Er wurde jedoch gebeten, dem Directorium mitzutheilen, auf welche Weise das Werk nach seiner Ansicht am erfolgreichsten betrieben und Gelder für dasselbe gesammelt werden könnten. Zugleich wurde die Bitte an ihn gestellt, die Aufsicht darüber selbst zu führen. Er legte hierauf einen Plan vor, über welchen berathen und sodann folgendes beschlossen wurde:

1. Die Direktoren ernennen eine Committee von sieben Personen, um für die Sammlung von Geldern und für die Errichtung des neuen Seminargebäudes zu sorgen. Der Agent soll Glied dieser Committee sein.
2. Der Agent soll Vorsitzer dieser Committee sein und der Secretär aus ihrer Mitte erwählt werden.
3. Die Committee versammelt sich wenigstens einmal im Monat — und öfter, falls es die Arbeit erfordert.
4. Der Agent soll der Committee bei ihrer ersten Versammlung den Kassenbestand vorlegen nachher monatlich Bericht über denselben abstatten.
5. Der Secretär soll die Verhandlungen der Committee protocolliren; auch soll er ein Verzeichnis der monatlichen Einnahmen und Ausgaben halten.
6. Alle Auszahlungen sollen durch den Schatzmeister der Synode entrichtet werden; Anweisungen hiezu sollen nur in den Sitzungen der Committee ausgefertigt und vom Vorsitzer und Secretär derselben unterschrieben werden.
7. Beim Sammeln von Beiträgen soll der Agent besonders darauf bedacht sein, größere Summen von einzelnen Personen zu erhalten; er soll die allgemeine Aufsicht über die Ausführung des von der Synode empfohlenen Planes haben, nach welchem jedes confirmirte Glied jeder zur Synode gehörenden Gemeinde durchschnittlich einen Dollar beitragen soll.
8. Es wird weder von der Synode noch von den Directoren erwartet, daß der Agent selbst bei allen Gemeindegliedern vorspreche.
9. Die Committee soll in den Kirchenblättern öfters Bericht vom Fortgang ihrer Arbeit erstatten und dadurch das Interesse der ganzen Kirche erregen und erhalten.

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10. Die Directoren nehmen die Ablehnung des an Pastor R. Hill ergangenen Rufes nicht an, sondern erneuern denselben, wie er einstimmig auch von der Synode an ihn ergangen war.

Die zu dem oben erwähnten Zweck ernannte Committee besteht aus den Pastoren: J. A. Seiß, D. D., S. Laird, H. Grahn und den Herren Dr. J. Rommel, Henry Beates und W. H. Staake.

Diese Committee ist beauftragt worden, sich nach Bauplänen umzusehen und darüber, laut Beschluß der Synode, die Facultät in Berathung zu ziehen.

Die Committee wurde bevollmächtigt, wenn rathsam, höchstens $2000 für Baupläne auszulegen.

Außer dieser wurde keine Special-Versammlung der Directoren im Laufe des Jahres gehalten.

Die jährliche Versammlung der Directoren fand am 25. und 26. Mai im Seminar statt. Zugegen waren 12 Pastoren und 9 Laien; von dem New York Ministerium 1 Laie.

Der Vormittag wurde dem Examen der Junioren und der Mittelklasse gewidmet; der Nachmittag dem der Senioren.

Im Laufe des Jahres wohnten 62 Studenten den Vorlesungen im Seminar bei, also eine größere Anzahl als je zuvor. 22 derselben waren in der Seniorklasse, 20 in der Mittelklasse und 20 in der Juniorklasse. Von den Senioren wurden 20 von der Fakultät zum Graduiren empfohlen und von den Directoren zugelassen. Einer derselben erhielt ein Zeugniß, daß er den ganzen Cursus mit durchgemacht habe.

Der Bericht des Schatzmeisters des Seminars wird der Synode als Theil seines allgemeinen Berichtes vorgelegt und derselben zur Prüfung unterbreitet werden.

Es möchte hier am Platze sein, die Synode zu ersuchen, nachzuforschen, zu welchem besondern Zweck Gelder einbezahlt und vom Schatzmeister aufbewahrt werden, und ganz besonders, ob *solches* Geld, das zum Unterhalt der Professoren gegeben worden, auch allein zu diesem Zweck verwendet wird oder ob solches Einkommen theilweise auch auf andere Weise verausgabt wird, wie z. B. für Reparaturen oder Anderes.

Das Directorium wurde bevollmächtigt, Vorkehrungen zu treffen, daß einer der Professoren als Hausvater im gegenwärtigen Seminargebäude wohnen könne.

Bericht der Bau-Committee.

Die im Juli 1884 zum Sammeln von Geldern für das neue Seminargebäude und zur Errichtung desselben angestellte Committee legte folgenden Bericht vor:

Die Unterhandlungen bezüglich des Ankaufs des vorgeschlagenen Bauplatzes wurden endlich nach langer Verzögerung und unter allerlei Schwierigkeiten abgeschlossen. Die werthvollen Dienste, die bei diesen Unterhandlungen von einem der Committeeglieder, Herrn Wm. H. Staake, geleistet wurden, der uns zugleich als Rechtsbeistand gedient, waren so schwierig und nahmen seine Zeit so viel in Anspruch, daß ihm besondere Anerkennung und besonderer Dank dafür werden sollte.

Das angekaufte Grundstück beträgt $5\frac{6}{10}$ Acker; der Ankaufspreis ist $24,506.85. Das Grundstück gehörte 3 verschiedenen Personen. Die am Kaufpreis des Grundes abbezahlte Summe beläuft sich auf $16,023.60. Von den drei Eigenthümern des Grundes sind zwei abbezahlt und die Kaufbriefe für die von ihnen abgetretenen Grund-

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stücke wurden ausgestellt und auf dem Gericht eingetragen. Die noch stehende Schuld an die dritte Partei beträgt $8,483.25, welche in drei gleichen Theilen, respektive am 4. August 1885, am 4. November 1885 und am 4. Februar 1886 zu bezahlen ist. Der Kaufbrief für diesen letzten Theil des Grundstücks wurde der "Real Estate Title Co." zur Verwahrung übergeben und wird dem Ministerium eingehändigt werden, sobald die letzte Zahlung gemacht worden ist. Das Ministerium besitzt dann das ganze Grundstück als schuldenfreies Eigenthum.

Der Agent. Nachdem der von der Synode im vorigen Jahr erwählte Agent den an ihn ergangenen Ruf angenommen hatte, trat er seine Arbeit am 1. Oct. 1884 an. Er fand es in der Sammlung von Geldern unzweckmäßig etwas Weiteres zu thun, als einzelne Personen ernstlich um Unterschriften zu ersuchen. Das hat er auch gethan, so weit er konnte.

Die unterschriebene Summe beträgt laut der Bücher des Agenten $8,575.00, wovon $3,131.06 bezahlt sind. Daneben sind unserem Agenten viele sichere Versprechen gemacht worden, die in Bälde zu befriedigender Ausführung kommen sollten.

Außerdem sind ihm auch gewisse Summen bedingungsweise versprochen, welche ebenfalls einige Tausend Dollars einbringen sollten. Andrerseits fehlt auch auf manche Anfrage die Antwort, doch nicht die Hoffnung auf guten Erfolg.

Finanz-Bericht der Committee.

Dem Schatzmeister überbezahlt		$18,316 99
In Händen des Agenten		1,021 00
Im Ganzen erhalten		$19,337 99
Ausgaben für den Bauplatz	$16,023 60	
Rechnungsbücher	5 95	
Im Ganzen ausgegeben		$16,029 55
In der Kasse		$3,308 44

Einnahmen und Unterschriften:

Im Ganzen erhalten	$19,337 99
Ausstehende Unterschriften im Buch des Agenten	5,445 00
Ausstehende Unterschriften bei der Synode gesammelt	5,782 00
Andere Unterschriften bedingungsweise	5,220 00
Im Ganzen	$35,784 99

Baufond:

Sämmtliche Einnahmen und Unterschriften		$35,784 99
Ausgegeben zur Abbezahlung des Grundstücks	$16,029 55	
Am Grundstück ist noch zu bezahlen	8,483 25	
Uebernommene Verpflichtungen		$24,512 80
Bleibt im Baufond		$11,261 19

Unterbreitete Vorschläge.

Die Bau-Committee unterbreitete den Directoren verschiedene Vorschläge bezüglich der Art und Weise, in welcher die Arbeit gethan werden sollte. Folgende Vorschläge heißen die Direktoren gut und empfehlen sie der Synode zum Annehmen:

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1. Alle Gelder, die für das neue Seminar einbezahlt werden, sollen in die Hände des Agenten kommen, der den Empfang derselben aufschreibt und denjenigen Personen oder Gemeinden, von denen sie kommen, Quittung darüber gibt. Nachdem er den Empfang in den Kirchenzeitungen angezeigt, soll das Geld dem Schatzmeister der Synode überbezahlt werden.

2. Der Schatzmeister soll alle Fonds für das neue Seminar bei der Fidelity Insurance Trust and Safe Deposit Company von Philadelphia als Guthaben des Ministeriums deponiren, den Anweisungen der Bau-Committee unterworfen.

3. Das Anweise-Buch (order book) der Committee soll vom Agenten gehalten werden; er soll alle Geldanweisungen gemäß der Anweisung der Committee und gegen Quittung von den Empfängern ausbezahlen.

4. Das neue Seminargebäude soll so bald als möglich in Uebereinstimmung mit dem Beschluß des Ministeriums begonnen und so schnell vollendet werden, als es der Committee möglich sein wird, Baumeister und Arbeitsleute auszubezahlen. Sollte aber zu irgend einer Zeit die Kasse leer sein, so soll die Arbeit suspendirt werden, bis weitere Gelder gesammelt oder eingegangen sind.

5. Die Dienstzeit von 6 Pastoren und 6 Laien-Directoren ist abgelaufen. Die Lücke, die durch den Tod von Herrn Charles Colladay entstanden, sollte ausgefüllt werden. Herrn Colladay's Dienste als Director und besonders als Glied der Finanz-Committee verdienen besondere Anerkennung.

Achtungsvoll

Phil. Pfatteicher,

deutscher Sekretär des Direktoriums.

Die Wahl-Committee berichtete nun, daß Pastor F. P. Mayser als deutscher Sekretär erwählt sei. Derselbe nahm die Wahl an.

Obiger Bericht des Direktoriums des theologischen Seminars wurde nun zur Besprechung angenommen. Pastor R. Hill, Agent für den neuen Seminarbau, wurde ersucht, der Synode seine bisherige Erfahrung in seiner Arbeit mitzutheilen und seine Ansichten über das weitere Betreiben dieses Werkes vorzulegen. Eine allgemeine Besprechung erfolgte, welche bis zur Vertagung der Nachmittagssitzung dauerte. (Fortgesetzt in der siebenten Sitzung, Seite 55.)

Vertagt um 4½ Uhr mit Gebet von Pastor G. A. Hinterleitner, um sogleich eine Ministerial-Sitzung zu halten.

Abends (Freitag) wurde in der St. Michaelis-Kirche ein Gottesdienst gehalten, wobei Pastor G. A. Strunz in deutscher und Pastor J. N. S. Erb in englischer Sprache Reden über die Erziehungssache hielten und Pastor J. J. Kündig den Altargottesdienst leitete.

Vierte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 30. Mai 1885, Vormittags 8½ Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gesang, Schriftverlesung und Gebet von Pastor J. M. Anspach eröffnet.

Das Protokoll der gestrigen Nachmittagssitzung wurde vom deutschen Secretär verlesen und angenommen.

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Ehrw. Prof. B. Sadtler, D. D., Vorsitzer der Examinations-Committee, führte die bei der Ministerial-Sitzung aufgenommenen Pastoren und Predigtamts-Candidaten ein, welche Ersteren vom Ehrw. Präsidenten der Synode herzlich bewillkommt und aufgefordert wurden, die Constitution des Ministeriums zu unterzeichnen. Ebenso bewillkommnete er auch die Letzteren und ersuchte sie, sich am Dienstag Abend zur Ordination einzustellen.

Pastor A. Späth, D. D. ersuchte die Synode, den Bericht der Waisen-Heimath und des Asyls für Betagte in Germantown bei Eröffnung der Nachmittags-Sitzung vorlegen zu dürfen. Auf Beschluß wurde die Bitte gewährt.

Pastor H. B. Strodach stellte die Anfrage, ob er einen Parochial-Bericht seiner Gemeinde, welche nicht in Verbindung mit unserer Synode steht, einhändigen dürfe. Auf Vorschlag von Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D., wurde beschlossen, daß Parochial-Berichte in solchen und ähnlichen Fällen in unsere Tabellen eingefügt werden, jedoch mit der Bemerkung, daß die Gemeinde nicht in Verbindung mit der Synode stehe.

Die gestern Vormittag angefangene Besprechung der revidirten Synodal-Constitution wurde mit Erwägung von Paragraph 14, Abschnitt III, Cap. 2 fortgesetzt.

Dieser Paragraph wurde abgeändert und in folgender Form angenommen: „Appellationen von Disciplinar-Verfahren der Gemeinden, wie sie in ihren Kirchenräthen oder in Gemeinde-Versammlungen vertreten sind, sollen von der Conferenz entschieden werden, wenn solche ordnungsmäßig vor sie gebracht sind."

Paragraph 15 wurde angenommen.

Ehe die Besprechung dieses Gegenstandes weiter fortgesetzt wurde, wurde auf Ersuchen von Pastor N. Hill beschlossen, daß die Synode sich am Dienstag Vormittag 11½ Uhr vertage, um die Kirche einer Begräbnißfeier einzuräumen.

Die Besprechung der Synodal-Ordnung wurde mit Paragraph 1 Capitel 3 wieder aufgenommen.

Nach einigen vorgeschlagenen Verbesserungen wurde der erste Paragraph in folgender Form angenommen: „Die Beamten dieses Ministeriums sind: ein Senior, ein Präsident, ein Secretär oder Secretäre und ein Schatzmeister. Sie werden nach Eröffnung der jährlichen Versammlung der Synode erwählt. Nur Prediger sind für die Aemter des Seniors, des Präsidenten, und des Secretärs oder der Sekretäre wählbar."

Die Besprechung von Paragraph 2 wurde aufgeschoben.

Paragraph 3 angenommen.

Da die Zeit der Vertagung gekommen war, so wurde die Besprechung der Synodal-Ordnung für die diesjährige Versammlung geschlossen.

Vertagung mit Gebet von Ehrw. Prof. W. J. Mann, D. D.

Fünfte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 30. Mai 1885, Nachmittags 2 Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gesang, Schriftverlesung und Gebet von Pastor J. Zentner eröffnet.

Der englische Secretär verlas das Protokoll der vierten Sitzung, welches angenommen wurde.

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Die Secretäre wurden beauftragt, bis nächsten Dienstag eine Anzahl Ordinations-Scheine für den gegenwärtigen Gebrauch des Ministeriums anzuschaffen. Ferner wurden die Beamten beauftragt, im Laufe des Jahres für eine permanente Form von Ordinations-Scheinen zu sorgen.

Gemäß des Beschlusses in der Vormittag-Sitzung wurde der Bericht über das Waisenhaus und Asyl 2c. in Germantown von Herrn J. C. File, Schatzmeister dieser Anstalt, verlesen.

26. Jahres-Bericht über das Waisenhaus und Asyl zu Germantown, Philadelphia.

In dem abgelaufenen Verwaltungs-Jahr hat die Liebes-Arbeit der Kirche in unseren Anstalten ohne Unterbrechung ihr stilles Werk gethan und sich dabei des Segens und Schutzes von oben und der warmen, treuen Theilnahme unserer zahlreichen Freunde zu erfreuen gehabt.

Das Waisenhaus.

Seit Eröffnung des Waisenhauses haben bis jetzt im Ganzen 516 Kinder Aufnahme in demselben gefunden. Am 19. März 1884 befanden sich in der Anstalt 51 Knaben und 26 Mädchen, im Ganzen 77 Kinder. Im Laufe des Jahres wurden 11 Knaben und 4 Mädchen, zusammen 15 Kinder aufgenommen. Ausgetreten sind im Laufe des Jahres 7 Knaben und 6 Mädchen, zusammen 13 Kinder, so daß am 12. April 1885 verblieben 55 Knaben und 24 Mädchen, zusammen 79 Kinder. Von den Ausgetretenen gingen in andere Anstalten über 3 Knaben; zu ihren Freunden oder Angehörigen zurückgekehrt sind 4 Knaben und 5 Mädchen; in eine Familie adoptirt wurde 1 Mädchen.

Confirmirt wurden im letzten Jahre drei Zöglinge der Anstalt, 2 Knaben und 1 Mädchen. Zwei der früheren Zöglinge unseres Waisenhauses sind seit zwei Jahren in das Mühlenberg-Collegium in Allentown eingetreten und haben sich dort durch Fleiß und gesittetes Betragen die besten Zeugnisse erworben. Ein dritter besucht seit letzten Herbst die Universität von Pennsylvanien, wo seine Auslagen theils von einer wohlhabenden lutherischen Freundin und theils durch ein Stipendium (scholarship) von der Universität selbst gedeckt werden.

Die Schule und der Kindergarten, worin unsere Kinder ihren täglichen Unterricht empfangen, sind unter der tüchtigen Leitung von Miß E. A. Kähler und Miß Laura Hoagland im besten Zustand. Die öffentliche Prüfung, welche am 12. März in Gegenwart der Glieder des Verwaltungsraths und vieler Freunde der Anstalt abgehalten wurde, ist zu allgemeiner Befriedigung ausgefallen. Biblische Geschichte und Katechismus, deutsche und englische Sprache, Lesen, Schreiben, Rechnen, Geographie und Geschichte bilden die Haupt-Unterrichtsfächer. Die Kinder leisten bedeutendes, weil sie vor vielen anderen den großen Vortheil genießen, daß sie ohne Unterbrechung und Entschuldigung ihre Unterrichtsstunden regelmäßig besuchen müssen.

Durch Gottes Gnade ist die Anstalt dies ganze letzte Jahr hindurch von aller schweren Krankheit gänzlich verschont geblieben.

Die Alten-Heimath (Asyl).

In der Alten-Heimath haben nun seit ihrem Bestehen im Ganzen 92 Personen Aufnahme gefunden. Am 19. März 1884 befanden sich darin 7 Männer und 23 Frauen, zusammen 30 Personen. Während des abgelaufenen Verwaltungsjahrs wurden 4 Frauen aufgenommen. Eine Frau starb und eine andere verließ die Anstalt, sodaß die gegenwärtige Zahl der Insassen 32 beträgt, 7 Männer und 23 Frauen. Unter der bewährten und unermüdlichen treuen Leitung von Frau Julia Riedt erfreut sich auch dieser Zweig unserer Anstalt eines fortwährenden Gedeihens.

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Auch im Laufe des vergangenen Jahres haben unsere Anstalten von theilnehmenden Frauen aus den Gemeinden manchen Besuch erhalten, wobei allezeit tüchtig für die Anstalt gearbeitet wurde.

Das Interesse unserer Landgemeinden am Waisenhaus und Asyl ist in stetem Wachsen begriffen und es steht zu hoffen, daß der Beschluß der Synode immer allgemeiner durchgeführt werde, wonach in jeder Synodal-Gemeinde eine Committee bestehen soll, welche die Interessen unserer Anstalt in dem betreffenden Kreise vertrete.

Wie früher, so haben auch in diesem Jahre manche alte Freunde der Anstalt ihre schätzenswerthen Dienste ohne Vergütung angeboten und geleistet, so Frau Anna Snyder in der Nähstube, Miß Fanny S. Smith im Musik-Unterricht, Dr. J. A. Schnellenberger bei den Kranken.

Ihnen allen, sowie auch dem umsichtigen Hausvater C. F. Kuhnle und seiner treuen Gattin gebührt der herzliche Dank des Verwaltungsrathes für ihre Dienste.

Pastor F. A. Kähler, der nach Buffalo, N. Y., umgezogen, hat seine Resignation als Glied des Verwaltungsraths eingereicht und an seine Stelle ist Professor W. J. Mann, D. D., von den Trustees ernannt worden. Herr L. L. Houpt hat ebenfalls seine Resignation als Trustee eingereicht und an seiner Stelle ist Pastor J. P. Deck von Germantown ernannt worden.

Die Dienstzeit von zwei der Verwalter: die des Hrn. H. Lehman und G. M. Kinsler, ist mit dieser Synodalsitzung abgelaufen und müssen dafür neue erwählt werden.

Der Gabentag vom Jahre 1884, wie der Schatzmeister-Bericht erweist, war mit reichem Erfolg gesegnet und den lieben Vater im Himmel preisend können wir mittheilen, daß auch der Gabentag 1885 (21. Mai) klar zeigte, daß die Theilnahme an diesem schönen Feste unter der Aufsicht unserer Frauen-Besuchenden sich jährlich vermehrt. Es haben in diesem Jahr eine beträchtliche Anzahl Gemeinden außerhalb Philadelphia sich daran betheiligt.

Der Herr wolle es allen unseren Freunden reichlich zu erfahren geben, daß, wer ein solches Kind aufnimmt, der nimmt Ihn auf. Wer aber Ihn aufnimmt, der hat einen Segen, der ewiglich bleibt.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet vom

Verwaltungsrath.

Schatzmeister-Bericht

des

Waisenhauses und der Altenheimath für Alte und Gebrechliche der Evangelisch-Lutherischen Kirche in Germantown.

Das zinstragende Kapital, wie letzt berichtet, war wie folgt:

Geschenk des verst. Herrn Ludwig Bremer	$ 1000 00
„ „ „ „ Johann M. Pleis, sen.	1000 00
„ „ „ „ Johann M. Pleis, sen.	1000 00
„ „ Herrn Johann M. Bremer (Hypothek)	5000 00
Vermächtniß von Mrs. Judith Graff, Phila.	200 00
Ver. St. Bond	300 00
Note für deponirte Gelder unserer Anstalt anvertraut	2800 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn George W. Grove, Phila.	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes in Pennsylvanien	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes in Philadelphia	100 00
Vermächtniß von Christina Schweigert	50 00
„ „ Miß Elisabeth Rodmann Fischer	100 00
„ „ Miß Rebecca Junkurth	100 00
„ „ Herrn Jesse George, Phila.	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes	200 00

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Vermächtniß von Rachel H. Stewart	100 00
„ „ Herrn Benjamin G. Barton	300 00
„ „ Mrs. Cath. Nixon	500 00
„ „ Carl M. Eckert	400 00
„ „ Anna Idell	100 00
„ „ Herrn James Monroe	1000 00
„ des verst. Herrn Peter Seeger, Phila	5000 00
„ „ „ „ Johann Christian Oestreicher	25 00
„ „ „ „ Christian Würtemberger	25 00
„ der verst. Margaretha Schlotterer	25 00
„ des verst. Herrn Lewis D. Beck	2000 00
„ „ „ „ Geo. W. Tryon	100 00
In Summa	$22,925 00

Von diesem bestimmte der verst. Herr Lewis D. Beck, daß das Vermächtniß von $2000 für den Neubau des Asyls verwendet werde, welches so geschehen ist	2000 00
Verbleiben	$20,925 00

Vom verst. Herrn Wm. Freas, Barren Hill, $100 (nach Abzug der Staatssteuer	95 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn Abraham Schiedt	1000 00
„ der Frau Catharina Wolf	200 00
„ „ C. Laib (nach Abzug der Erbschaftssteuer)	237 50
„ „ Johanna Holdermann, Norristown, Pa	50 00
„ des verst. Herrn John Messerschmidt, Reading, Pa	300 00
Geschenk von Herrn Luther P. Keller, Phila	100 00
Das Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn John E. Fox, Phila., ($3000 und Zinsen, nach Abzug der Staatssteuer)	2857 50
Von der verst Frau Elisabeth Schneider Phila	100 00
Geschenk von Mrs Mary A. Colladay, Phila	300 00
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Mrs. C. McLaughlin	25 00
In Summa	$26,190 00

Das Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn Johann Seffert ($500 nach Abzug der Erbsteuer)	475 00
Durch das Staatsobergericht bestätigt vom Gaßmanschen Vermächtniß	462 57
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn J. P. Sanner, Frackville, Pa. (mit Zinsen nach Abzug der Erbsteuer)	191 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn E. Jonathan Deininger, Reading, Pa	250 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Isabella D. King, Frederick Co., Md	579 35
Durch die Herren Wm. L. Schaffer und John Welsh, Verwalter eines speciellen Fonds	415 75
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Frau Fredericke Mannal	100 00
Das Vermächtniß der verstorbenen Mary A. Warner, Columbus, Ohio, durch den Executor, Herrn Lewis Heyl	1000 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Mary Bockius	150 00
Schlußbestätigung vom Gaßmanschen Vermächtniß	328 00
	$30,141 67

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Zu diesem kam in diesem Jahr:

Vom Vermächtniß des verst. Ehrw. C. F. Heyer	$ 150 00	
Vermächtniß der verstorbenen Lydia Benner, Norristown, $1500, weniger Erbsteuer	1428 75	
Vom Verkauf des Buches „Heilsbotschaft" von Ehrw. W. J. Mann verfaßt	601 65	
		2180 40
		$32,322 07

Einnahmen vom 8. April 1884 bis 4. April 1885.

Collecte bei der Jahresfeier am 20. April 1884 in der St. Lukas Ev.-Luth. Kirche, Philadelphia, Ehrw. Pastor J. L. Sibole	$ 59 96
Von Kirchen, Kirchenvereinen und dergleichen	2731 92
Von Sonntagschulen	856 61
Von den Frauen Besuchenden, gesammelt, und an Glieder des Verwaltungsraths, Schatzmeister und Superintendenten eingereicht	971 60
Inhalt der Gaben-Käftlein im Waisenhaus und in der Alten-Heimath	38 48
Erlös von Arbeit in der Anstalt 2c	75 91
Von „Kleinen Gebern"	12 10
Lesern des Herold und Zeitschrift, Lutheran, Jugendfreund, Busy Bee, Church Messenger, Missionsbote, Lutherisches Kirchenblatt, Siloah 2c.	42 90
Zinsen des Capitals (incl. von $30 Zinsen eines Jahres des Vermächtnisses des verstorbenen C. F. Wernle)	1696 72
Spezielle Gabe	100 00
Synodal-Bewilligung (Asyl)	25 00
Von Herrn Johann L. Bremer, Boston	250 00
Von seinen Kindern	30 00
Bayerischer Volksfest-Verein	50 00
Collecte im Waisenhaus am Weihnachtsfeste	84 20
Spezielles Unternehmen durch Mrs. Chas Engel	100 00
Spezielle Gabe zur Feier des 4. Juli	48 75

Resultat des Gabentages:

Vom Verkauf der Supperticketts	$ 524 80	
Vom Verkauf von Gegenständen, welche zum Verkaufen geschenkt waren	83 65	
Verkauf von Blumen, Kuchen, Ice Cream, Limonade 2c.	118 14	
Verkauf von lithographischen Bildern des Waisenhauses	5 15	
Gaben in Baar Geld	1987 06	
		2718 60
		$9,892 85

Ausgaben vom 8. April 1884 bis 4. April 1885.

Für Lebensmittel, Groceries	$ 1818 10
Für Brod	638 18
Für Milch	792 16
Gehalte des Hausvaters, Matrone und Lehrerinnen	1567 08
Löhne der Arbeitenden und Dienstboten	1061 33
Reparaturen an den Wohnungen und Grundstück und Verbesserungen	1307 65
Kohlen	971 50
Begräbnißkosten	22 47
Gas-Bill	161 33
Kleider, Schuhe 2c.	387 95

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Schulsachen	134 52
Fracht an Gaben	265 39
Die Farm und den Garten verbessern und in Ordnung halten	142 28
Verschiedene Ausgaben des Hausstandes	669 73
Arznei	78 65
Wasser-Rente	22 20
Nachträgliche Erbsteuer am Vermächtniß von Hrn. Abm. Schmidt	50 00
	$10,090 52
Bilanz in der Kasse am 8. April 1884	$ 788 61
Einnahmen	9,892 95
	$10,681 56
Ausgaben	10,090 52
Bilanz am 4. April 1885	$591 04

Danket dem Herrn!

Hochachtungsvoll

Jno. C. File, 421 Market Str., Phila.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und auf Vorschlag von Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D., wurden die Herren Henry Lehman und Georg M. Kinsler wieder als Trustees der Waisenanstalt erwählt.

Der Bericht der Executiv-Committee wurde zur Besprechung vorgenommen und folgende Beschlüsse darüber abgefaßt:

1. Daß Pastor J. H. Voß als Missionar in Potter und Tioga Counties von der gegenwärtigen Synodal-Versammlung an aller weiteren Dienste enthoben sei.
2. Daß die Executiv-Committee beauftragt und bevollmächtigt sei, auf die bestmögliche Weise für den Unterhalt von Pastor J. H. Voß Sorge zu tragen.
3. Beschlossen, daß die Executiv-Committee bevollmächtigt sei, mit der Pittsburg-Synode ein Uebereinkommen zu treffen, um die Grenzlinie zwischen den betreffenden Synodal-Körpern festzusetzen.

Bezüglich der Bittschriften, welche von der deutschen und der englischen Committee der Einheimischen Mission des General-Concils an die Executiv-Committee gerichtet wurden, wurde

Beschlossen, daß dieselben verlesen werden.

Nach der Verlesung wurde

Beschlossen, daß je einem Glied aus den beiden Missions-Committeen des General-Concils Gelegenheit gegeben werde, der Synode einen Bericht über ihr Werk, ihre Bedürfnisse und ihre Wünsche vorzulegen.

Pastor F. W. Weiskotten berichtete über das deutsche und Pastor S. Laird über das englische Missionswerk, worauf der Beschluß abgefaßt wurde, daß die Executiv-Committee beauftragt sei, die Bitten der beiden Committeen je nach dem Kassenbestand zu gewähren und ihnen solche Summen zukommen zu lassen als nöthig sind, um ihre rückständigen Schulden abzutragen.

Beschlossen, daß der Bericht der Executiv-Committee als Ganzes angenommen sei.

Auf Vorschlag wurde beschlossen, daß die Synode zur Wahl der Glieder der Executiv-Committee schreite.

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Pastor C. J. Cooper machte den Vorschlag, daß eine Committee, aus je einem Pastor und einem Laien-Delegaten aus jeder Conferenz bestehend, ernannt werde, um Namen für Glieder der Executiv-Committee, für Trustees des Mühlenberg-Collegiums, für Directoren des Seminars und für Delegaten an das General-Concil zur Erwählung vorzuschlagen und zwar in doppelter oder größerer Anzahl, als für diese verschiedenen Behörden erforderlich ist.

(Dieser Vorschlag wurde in der sechsten Sitzung zum Beschluß erhoben. Siehe Seite 52.)

Ehe hierüber abgestimmt werden konnte, wurde die Sitzung mit Gebet von Ehrw. Prof. F. A. Mühlenberg, D. D., beschlossen.

Sechste Sitzung.

Montag, den 1. Juni 1885, Vorm. 8½ Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde auf gewöhnliche Weise eröffnet. Das Gebet wurde von Pastor J. K. Plitt gesprochen.

Die Verhandlungen der fünften Sitzung wurden vom deutschen Secretär verlesen und mit einigen Verbesserungen angenommen.

Ehrw. Prof. W. J. Mann, D. D., stattete seinen Bericht als Archivarius des Ministeriums ab.

Bericht des Archivarius der Synode.

Hochwürdiger Herr Präsident!

Indem ich mir erlaube, Ihnen den von mir erwarteten Bericht für das abgelaufene Jahr zu übergeben, habe ich vorerst mitzutheilen, daß bei meiner Resignation in der ev.-luth. St. Michaelis- und Zions-Gemeinde am 16. Nov. 1884 der verehrl. Kirchenrath der Gemeinde freundlich gestattete, daß das Synodal-Archiv in demselben Raume der Zions-Kirche verbleiben dürfe, wo es seit geraumer Zeit placirt ist. Für diese Freundlichkeit wird der Dank der Synode dem Kirchenrath der altehrwürdigen Gemeinde nicht fehlen.

Das Archiv, mit Allem, was dazu gehört, ist in jener Localität so sicher, als es unter jetzigen Umständen irgend sein kann, bis ihm in dem zu erwartenden neuen Seminargebäude eine geeignete Stätte wird angewiesen werden.

Die Collection verschiedener Drucksachen, die zum Archiv gehört, hat im verflossenen Jahre etwas Vermehrung erfahren. Prof. B. Sadtler an der Universität von Pennsylvanien, stellte mir im Namen seines Ehrw. Vaters, Dr. B. Sadtler, Präsident am Mühlenberg-College, für das Archiv unter dem 15. Sept. 1884 zu die von Pastor Geo. Lochmann zu Lebanon gehaltene Leichenrede des am 9. März 1809 verewigten Pastor Christian Em. Schulze, Schwiegersohnes des Ehrw. Dr. H. M. Mühlenberg. Derselbe hatte die Gemeinde zu Tulpehocken beinahe vierzig Jahre lang bedient. Die Rede ist in deutscher Sprache gehalten.

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Herr Ferdinand Droer, dessen Vater viele Jahre hindurch ein treues und hochgeachtetes Glied der alten St. Michaelis- und Zions-Gemeinde gewesen war, beschenkte am 15. Oktober 1884 das Archiv mit einem vom Ehrw. Dr. J. G. Chr. Helmuth verfaßten, jetzt schon ziemlich selten gewordenen Buche: Spuren der Güte Gottes in der Deutsch-Evangel.-Lutherischen Gemeinde in Philadelphia; Verlag von Mich. Billenhorn, Germantown 1791.

Der Ehrw. S. E. Ochsenford, Pastor zu Selinsgrove, Pa. sandte am 2. Oktober 1884 an das Archiv eine historische Rede, gehalten bei Gelegenheit der Grundsteinlegung für eine evang.-luth. Kirche in jener Localität am 3. August 1884. Der Rede sind Documente von legaler, statistischer und historischer Bedeutung beigelegt.

Am 3. März 1885 sandte mir Herr W. H. Staake eine Anzahl von Documenten zu, die Bezug haben, wenigstens zum Theil, auf die in Folge von Synodalbeschluß vom Jahre 1851 in Franklin College zu Gettysburg errichtete Professur. Ich deponirte dieselben im Archiv.

Das Gleiche gilt von einem mir von Pastor J. W. Early am 28. März 1885 im Manuscript zugestellten Lebensabriß unseres verewigten Mitbruders, Pastor R. S. Wagner.

Ich erwartete von den Herren Secretären der Synode diejenigen Documente, Berichte u. s. f. zu erhalten, die bei der Synodal-Versammlung zu Reading, Pa. vom 5.—11. Juni vor die Synode gekommen, den verschiedenen Committeen überreicht und von diesen an die Herren Secretäre zurückgegeben wurden. Am 12. Oktober 1884 erhielt ich von dem englischen Herrn Secretär 1. Drei Erinnerungsblätter der verewigten Brüder G. Miller, A. Berg und W. H. Laubenstein; 2. ein paar Briefe, die für die Synode selbst von keiner Bedeutung sind; 3. die Applicationen für's Examen und für Aufnahme in die Synode. Von Briefen und andern Documenten, welche den Vorsitzenden der verschiedenen Committeen waren eingehändigt worden, war auch nicht eine Spur vorhanden, die im Archiv hätten mögen niedergelegt werden. Auf diesen Briefen, Documenten u. s. f. beruht aber gerade das geschichtliche Interesse. Die von der Synode oder dem Ministerium gefaßten Beschlüsse werden im Protocoll gedruckt. Die Veranlassungen zu denselben liegen in den Briefen u. s. f. In der That ist für das historische Interesse der Synode vor 50 und 60 Jahren besser gesorgt worden, als dies im Jahre 1884 geschehen ist. Wenn auf die Ansprüche des Archivs künftig nicht mehr Rücksicht genommen werden sollte, so müßte ich meinestheils auf die Ehre verzichten, der Archivarius dieses Ehrwürdigen Körpers zu heißen.

W. J. Mann, Archivarius.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und auf Vorschlag von Ehrw. Prof. H. E. Jacobs, D. D., wurde

Beschlossen, daß Paragraph 2 aus Kap. 12 der vorgeschlagenen revidirten Constitution mit dem Zusatz am Schluß angenommen werde: „und allen Documenten der Executiv-Committee." Der betreffende Paragraph lautet also wie folgt:

„Im Archiv sollen vollständige Sammlungen der gedruckten Verhandlungen, ohne Unterschied der Sprache, in der sie geschrieben sind, ebenso das Protocoll-Buch, sobald ein Band gefüllt ist, sowie die Bücher, worin die Verhandlungen der Conferenzen eingetragen stehen, welche Bücher, so bald sie ge-

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füllt, von dem Secretär der Conferenz dem Archivar einzuhändigen sind, auf's sorgfältigste verwahrt werden. Gleicherweise alle wichtigen Briefe, Papiere, Documente, Widmungen, Klagen u. s. w., die dem Ministerium oder den Conferenzen zugegangen sind, mit den damit bezüglichen amtlichen Erwiederungen, Gutachten und Verhandlungen; nebst allen Lebensbeschreibungen oder biographischen Abrissen hingeschiedener Glieder, die in einer Versammlung dem Ministerium vorgelegt worden sind und allen Documenten der Executiv-Committee."

Auf Beschluß wurde der Bericht des Directoriums des theologischen Seminars zum ersten Geschäft der Nachmittags-Sitzung gemacht.

Die Besprechung des in der fünften Sitzung von Pastor J. C. Cooper gemachten Vorschlags bezüglich Erwählung von Gliedern für die verschiedenen Synodal-Behörden wurde fortgesetzt und der Vorschlag als Synodal-Beschluß angenommen. (Siehe fünfte Sitzung, Seite 50.)

Auf Vorschlag von Pastor J. A. Seiß, D. D., wurde

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident die zur Ausführung dieses Beschlusses nöthige Committee ernenne.

Sie besteht aus den Pastoren: H. B. Strodach, W. Rath, B. E. Kramlich, J. W. Haßler, J. R. Groff und den Herren: John Born, J. B. Zimmele, C. F. Kopitzsch, C. R. Lantz, J. N. Peiper.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas den

Bericht der Besucher des Emmaus Waisenhauses.

Die Committee, welche von der Synode ernannt war, das Emmaus Waisenhaus in Middletown, Dauphin Co., Pa. zu besuchen, ist ihrem Auftrag am 22. Mai 1885 nachgekommen und es macht ihr große Freude, über den blühenden Zustand dieser Anstalt berichten zu können.

Dieselbe wird von dem Einkommen von drei Farmen und von Grundrenten auf in Middletown gelegenen Bauplätzen — sämmtlich das Vermächtniß von Herrn Frey — erhalten. Vor einigen Jahren war die Verwaltung des Gutes nicht sehr befriedigend. Seit einiger Zeit ist aber in dieser Hinsicht eine entschiedene Verbesserung eingetreten, obgleich noch von mancher Seite behauptet wird, daß das Einkommen von dem Gut bedeutend größer sein sollte. Diejenigen, welche als Trustees der Anstalt dienen, behaupten, daß die schweren Ausgaben, welche durch die Errichtung neuer Gebäude verursacht wurden, große Anforderungen an das Einkommen des Gutes gestellt haben. Die Gebäulichkeiten auf den Farmen sind jetzt alle in einem guten Zustand. Das Waisenhaus, ein großes Gebäude von Backstein, welches vor mehreren Jahren errichtet wurde und für etwa 100 Waisen Raum hat, hat schwere Ausgaben verursacht. Es bedarf auch jetzt vieler Reparaturen.

Herr W. A. Croll ist der Principal und Herr Georg Lauman Lehrer der Anstalt.

Als die Waisen von dem alten Gebäude in der Stadt in das neue übersiedelten, waren ihrer nur 9. Bei unserm Besuche vor 2 Jahren waren ihrer 27; gegenwärtig beläuft sich die Zahl auf 35. Drei weitere werden in Kurzem aufgenommen werden. Wir erkennen hierin also einen anerkennenswerthen Fortschritt.

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Die Committee konnte wegen sehr ungünstiger Witterung bei dem diesjährigen Besuch die Farmen nicht besichtigen. Sie hat jedoch dafür eine gründliche Einsicht des Waisenhauses genommen und kann nur ihre große Befriedigung mit der vortrefflichen Führung der Anstalt aussprechen.

Höchst erfreulich war der Besuch im Schulzimmer. Die Prüfung der Waisen in der Biblischen Geschichte, in Luthers Katechismus, in Geographie, Rechnen u. s. w. war sehr zufriedenstellend und besonders freute es die Committee, die von der Pilger-Buchhandlung herausgegebene Biblische Geschichte, wie auch Dr. E. Greenwald's "Child's Book" als regelmäßige Lehrbücher benützt zu finden.

Bei guter Verwaltung des Gutes können die Trustees im Stande sein, die Einnahmen desselben zu vergrößern und eine größere Anzahl von Waisen aufzunehmen.

Das schöne Vermächtniß des Herrn Frey bringt jetzt einen Segen, wie es nie zuvor einen gebracht hat, und wir hegen die Hoffnung, daß derselbe in der Zukunft immer wachsen und zunehmen wird.

Achtungsvoll die Committee,

F. J. F. Schantz,
J. G. Pfuhl,
G. S. Seaman.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und folgende Committee ernannt, um diese Anstalt ferner zu besuchen: die Pastoren: F. J. F. Schantz, J. G. Pfuhl, H. N. Fegley, G. S. Seaman und die Herren: Chas. A. Schäfer, Geo. Reinöhl.

Auf Vorschlag wurde der

Bericht der Committee über den Jahresbericht des Präsidenten

entgegengenommen. Er lautet wie folgt:

Die Committee hat den Bericht des Präsidenten geprüft und legt nun folgende Empfehlungen darüber vor:

I. Daß wir mit Freuden der 50jährigen Amtsfeier des Ehrw. C. W. Schaeffer, D. D., und seiner eben so langen Verbindung mit diesem Ministerium gedenken und diesen Körper auf diese interessante Thatsache aufmerksam machen, daß der Name „Schaeffer" während eines ganzen Jahrhunderts mit der Geschichte und der Thätigkeit unserer Kirche ehrenvoll verbunden ist.

II. Daß wir von Herzen den Gesinnungen des Präsidenten beistimmen, welche er in seiner Antwort auf die Nachricht der Resignation des Ehrw. W. J. Mann, D. D., nach 34jährigem Dienst als Pastor an der Zions-Gemeinde ausgedrückt hat, und wir uns über dessen Entschluß freuen, seine ganze Zeit seinem Beruf als Professor am Seminar und litterarischen Arbeiten zu widmen.

III. Daß wir mit Schmerz die Anzeige von dem Ableben des Pastor S. Yingling in Columbia und des Pastor H. G. B. Artman, Missionar in Indien, vernehmen, und wir gerne von deren Berufstreue Zeugniß ablegen, dankbar ihr Gedächtniß bewahren, unsere herzliche Theilnahme denen bezeugen, welche diesen Verlust besonders betrauern und sie dem Gott alles Trostes anbefehlen.

IV. Daß wir die werthvollen professionellen Dienste des Herrn W. H. Staake sowohl bei dem Ankauf der Grundstücke für das neue Seminar als auch seine Dienste in andern Intereffen der Synode schätzen und anerkennen, und ihm der herzliche Dank der Synode dafür werden sollte.

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V. Da der zur Besprechung vorliegende Freibrief für Gemeinden mit dem Incorporationsacte vom Jahr 1874 in Widerspruch stehen soll, so empfiehlt die Committee, daß ein endgültiger Beschluß über besagten Freibrief vorderhand aufgehoben und eine Committee ernannt werde, an welche die betreffenden Schriftstücke verwiesen werden, um nächstes Jahr darüber zu berichten.

VI. Die Committee empfiehlt in Betreff der Appellation des Herrn L. L. Houpt die Ernennung einer Committee, an welche diese ganze Angelegenheit verwiesen werde, um nächstes Jahr an die Synode zu berichten.

VII. Betreffs der Beschlüsse des General-Concils über Einheimische Mission pflichten wie der Empfehlung des Ehrw. Präsidenten völlig bei, worin er unsere Gemeinden auffordert, ihr Möglichstes zur Beförderung des Einheimischen Missionswerkes des General-Concils zu thun.

VIII. Bezüglich der „Mühlenberg Gedächtnisfeier" empfehlen wir, daß der Ehrw. Präsident die betreffende Committee ersuche, ihren Bericht über besagte Gedächtnisfeier einzuhändigen.

XI. Daß wir es als eine Fügung göttlicher Vorsehung betrachten, daß an demselben Orte, an dem vor 21 Jahren der Beschluß zur Gründung eines Seminars gefaßt wurde, nun auch die Aufgabe so dringend vor uns liegt, neue Gebäulichkeiten für diese Anstalt zu errichten und wir uns deshalb auf's neue entschließen, das angefangene Werk mit vergrößertem Eifer und mit Zusammenwirkung aller unserer Kräfte bis zu dessen Vollendung zu betreiben.

Achtungsvoll,

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und die einzelnen Empfehlungen in Erwägung gezogen.

Die erste und zweite wurde angenommen.

Bei der Abstimmung und Annahme der dritten erhob sich die Synode.

Die vierte wurde angenommen. Ebenso die fünfte, mit dem Zusatz, daß die ursprüngliche Committee die in diesem Punkt berührte Sache untersuche und besorge. (Ueber die weiteren Verhandlungen hierüber siehe achte Sitzung, Seite 56.)

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor J. Gruhler.

Siebente Sitzung.

Montag, den 1. Juni 1885, Nachmittags 2 Uhr.

Die Eröffnung fand auf gewöhnliche Weise statt, wobei Pastor J. W. Early das Gebet in englischer Sprache sprach.

Der englische Secretär verlas das Protokoll der Vormittagssitzung, welches wie verlesen angenommen wurde.

Der Ehrw. Präsident theilte der Synode mit, daß er von Pastor J. B. Riemensnyder, D. D., eine telegraphische Nachricht empfangen habe, in welcher ihm mitgetheilt werde, daß die General-Synode, welche zu dieser Zeit in Harrisburg tagt, die von den vereinigten Committeen des General-Concils, der General-Synode und der südlichen General-Synode ausgearbeitete „Gottesdienst-Ordnung" ohne eine abweichende Stimme angenommen habe.

Der Ehrw. Präsident wurde beauftragt, an Pastor J. B. Riemensnyder,

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D. D., eine passende Antwort zu senden, darin er die Freude dieses Körpers ausdrücke, mit welcher er diese Nachricht vernommen habe.

Gemäß des Beschlusses in der Vormittagssitzung wurde der Bericht des Directoriums des theologischen Seminars zur Besprechung vorgenommen.

Von den darin unterbreiteten Vorschlägen wurde der erste angenommen.

Der zweite wurde abgeändert und in folgender Form angenommen: „Der Schatzmeister soll alle Gelder für das neue Seminar in solcher Bank oder Sicherheitsstätte als Guthaben des Ministeriums deponiren, als er von der Bau-Committee mit Zuratheziehung der Finanz-Committee der Synode angewiesen werden mag."

Der dritte und vierte wurde angenommen.

Bezüglich des verewigten Herrn C. D. Colladay drückte die Synode ihre hohe Anerkennung der werthvollen Dienste aus, welche er als Direktor des Seminars und besonders als Glied der Finanz-Committee geleistet hat.

Auf Vorschlag von Pastor J. A. Seiß, D. D.,

Beschlossen, daß die Synode dem Beschluß des Direktoriums beistimme, gemäß welchem es Schritte thun will, einen der Professoren im Seminar als Hausvater unterzubringen.

Der Bericht der Committee wurde sodann als Ganzes angenommen. Es erfolgte hierauf eine längere, freie Besprechung des Seminars und des neuen Seminarbaues. Der Ehrw. Präsident benützte die Gelegenheit, in einer begeisternden Rede seine Ansichten auszusprechen und die Glieder der Synode aufzufordern, ihre Gedanken und Bedenken über diese Sache frei und offen zu äußern. Eine Anzahl Pastoren und Laien-Delegaten folgten der Aufforderung und sprachen sich frei über diesen Gegenstand aus.

In Verbindung hiemit machte Herr. C. R. Lantz folgenden Vorschlag:

Daß wir unsere Gemeinden ernstlich ersuchen und bitten, emsig und ohne Verzug an's Werk zu gehen, die zum neuen Seminarbau nötigen Mittel zusammenzubringen.

Dieser Vorschlag wurde in der zwölften Sitzung zum Beschluß erhoben.

Ehe sich die Synode vertagte, zeigte der Ehrw. Präsident an, daß der Alumnen-Verein des Seminars gleich nach Vertagung der Synode eine Versammlung in der Kirche halten werde, um Beschlüsse über das 50jährige Amtsjubiläum des Ehrw. C. W. Schäffer D. D., abzufassen. Auch andere Glieder der Synode wurden dazu eingeladen.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor E. H. Pohle.

Abends 7½ Uhr wurde in der St. Michaelis-Kirche ein Gottesdienst im Interesse der Heidenmission gehalten, bei welchem Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D., eine deutsche und Pastor S. E. Ochsenford eine englische Rede über die Heidenmission hielt und Pastor W. A. C. Müller den Altargottesdienst leitete.

Achte Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 2. Juni 1885, Vormittags 8½ Uhr.

Die Versammlung wurde in deutscher Sprache mit Gesang, Schriftverlesung und Gebet von Pastor J. C. Dizinger eröffnet.

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Der deutsche Secretär verlas das Protokoll der siebenten Sitzung, welches mit einigen Verbesserungen angenommen wurde.

Die in der sechsten Sitzung angefangene Besprechung des Berichts der Committee über den Jahresbericht des Präsidenten wurde fortgesetzt.

Past. J. A. Seiß, D. D., verlangte von der Synode, daß die Anklagen und deren Specificationen in der Angelegenheit der Appellation des Herrn L. L. Houpt, wie auch die Verhandlungen der I. Conferenz vorgelesen werden.

Pastor H. B. Strodach, als früherer Secretär der I. Conferenz, verlas die Verhandlungen derselben in Bezug auf diese Sache; und der Präsident verlas aus dem stenographischen Bericht die Anklagen mit ihren Specificationen und der damit verbundenen Correspondenz zwischen den betheiligten Personen. Ebenso auch den Bericht der Committee, welche von der I. Conferenz zur Untersuchung der Klagesache ernannt wurde.

Herr J. J. Mohr, Delegat der St. Markus-Gemeinde in Philadelphia, protestirte gegen die in der Appellation von Herrn L. L. Houpt geführte Sprache.

Die Besprechung dieser Appellation nahm die ganze Vormittagssitzung in Anspruch. (Fortgesetzt in der nächsten Sitzung.)

Ehrw C. W. Schaeffer, D. D., verlas folgenden

Bericht über die Rechnung des Präsidenten.

Die Committee, welche ernannt wurde, die Rechnung des Präsidenten über die ihm anvertrauten Gelder zu untersuchen, hat die Ehre, zu berichten, daß sie nach sorgfältiger Prüfung dieser Rechnung und der dazu gehörigen Papiere alles in vollkommener Richtigkeit fand.

C. W. Schaeffer,
C. A. Bauer,
C. F. Welden.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Die Synode vertagte sich mit Gebet von Pastor J. Fry, D. D., um gleich nach Vertagung eine Ministerial-Sitzung im unteren Theil der Kirche zu halten.

Neunte Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 2. Juni 1885, 2 Uhr Nachmittags.

Die Eröffnung der Sitzung fand auf gewöhnliche Weise mit Gebet von Pastor J. L. Sibole statt.

Der englische Secretär verlas die Verhandlungen der Vormittagssitzung, welche angenommen wurden.

Der deutsche Secretär erhielt Erlaubniß, den Versammlungen der Synode nach dem Abendgottesdienst nicht weiter beizuwohnen, um Amtsgeschäfte in seiner Gemeinde zu verrichten.

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Auf Vorschlag von Pastor J. W. Haßler erhielt Pastor G. H. Trabert, Missionar in Minneapolis, Erlaubniß, eine Ansprache an die Synode über das Missionswerk in Minneapolis und im fernen Westen zu halten.

Die Besprechung betreffs der Appellation von Herrn L. L. Houpt wurde nun fortgesetzt. Nach reichlicher Erwägung wurden von Pastor J. Fry, D. D., folgende Vorschläge gemacht:

Nachdem das Ministerium die Verhandlungen der I. Conferenz über diese Angelegenheit, wie auch die Appellation des Herrn L. L. Houpt vernommen hat, so sei

Beschlossen, daß wir die Verhandlungen der I. Conferenz als richtig anerkennen; ferner

Beschlossen, daß wir die Appellation von Herrn L. L. Houpt zurückweisen.

Ehe über diese Vorschläge abgestimmt wurde, erhielten die Pastoren S. Laird, B. W. Schmauk, T. E. Schmauk, G. P. Müller und J. A. Darmstätter auf ihr eigenes Ansuchen Erlaubniß, sich des Stimmens über diese Frage zu enthalten. (Siehe auch zehnte Sitzung, Seite 59.)

Obige Vorschläge von Pastor J. Fry, D. D., wurden sodann zu Beschlüssen erhoben. Hiemit ist die sechste Empfehlung der Committee über des Präsidenten Bericht aufgehoben.

Die siebente angenommen.

An Stelle der achten wurde

Beschlossen, daß die ursprüngliche Committee über die Mühlenberg-Gedächtnisfeier mit Zusatz von Pastor A. Späth, D. D., wieder ernannt werde, um nächstes Jahr zu berichten.

Die neunte angenommen.

Als Zusatz zu obigem Committee-Bericht wurde auf Vorschlag von Pastor A. Späth, D. D.,

Beschlossen, daß wir der Empfehlung des Ehrw. Präsidenten, darin er auf die Kirchenbücher und andere vom General-Concil herausgegebenen deutschen und englichen Bücher Bezug nimmt, beipflichten. (Siehe Präsidenten-Bericht Seite 21.)

Der Bericht der Committee wurde sodann als Ganzes angenommen.

Pastor H. Grahn verlas den

Bericht der deutschen Committee der Stadtmission von Philadelphia.

Ihre Committee beehrt sich, hiermit dem Ehrw. Ministerium den nachfolgenden Bericht über den Stand der deutschen Mission in Philadelphia abzustatten:

Zur Mission gehören noch immer die Gemeinden von St. Peter, Emmanuel, St. Thomas und Trinitatis, und neuerdings St. Markus- und Christus-Kapelle.

1. Die Emmanuels-Gemeinde in Frankford, unter Pastor M. Schimpf, hat 115 Glieder, eine Sonntagschule mit 10 Lehrern und 85 Kindern. — Sie besitzt Kirche und Pfarrhaus. Der Missionar wurde mit $200 unterstützt.

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Wir bedauern berichten zu müssen, daß im verflossenen Jahre beklagenswerthe Zerwürfnisse die Gemeinde tief erschüttert haben; freuen uns jedoch hinzufügen zu können, daß die Schwierigkeiten nunmehr beseitigt erscheinen und wir uns der Hoffnung hingeben dürfen, daß durch Gottes Gnade dieser Gemeinde bessere Tage beschieden seien.

2. St. Thomas-Gemeinde, Germantown, Pastor J. H. R. Wendel. — Die Zahl der Gemeindeglieder ist im Laufe des Jahres von 116 auf 180 und und die der Lehrer in der Sonntagschule von 10 auf 14 und der Schüler von 70 auf 92 angewachsen; dem entsprechend auch der regelmäßige Besuch der Gottesdienste. Ihre Committee hofft, daß, wenn der Zuzug unserer deutschen Glaubensbrüder nach Germantown fortfährt, unter Gottes Segen und der treuen Arbeit des Missionars, diese Gemeinde bald selbstständig werden wird. Unterstützung $250.

3. St. Peters, West-Philadelphia. Pastor E. H. Pohle. — Die Gemeinde zählt 68 Glieder und hat 18 Lehrer mit 150 Kindern in der Sonntagschule. Die Unterstützung belief sich auf $400.

Es hatte unserem allweisen Herrn gefallen, den lieben Missionar mit schmerzhafter und langwieriger Krankheit heimzusuchen, ihn aber auch, wie wir mit Dank berichten können, wiederum für Seinen Dienst in Gnaden herzustellen. Die Gemeinde erfreut sich eines langsamen Gedeihens.

4. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde, Rising Sun, Pastor A. Linß. — Diese Gemeinde besteht aus 145 Gliedern mit 12 Lehrern und 125 Kindern in der Sonntagschule. Der Pastor empfing $350 Unterstützung.

Obwohl die Gemeinde von einer Schuld von mehr als $2700 gedrückt wird, zeigt sich in ihr doch gegen früher ein bedeutend regeres kirchliches Leben und ein anerkennungswerther Fortschritt, welcher alle, die an der Gemeinde arbeiten, ermuntern soll, im Namen des Herrn getrost weiter zu bauen.

5. St. Markus, Nord Penn Village und Christus-Capelle, an der 26. und Jefferson Str. — Pastor E. Hartmann. — Diese Mission besteht aus der Markus-Gemeinde mit 31 Gliedern und einer Sonntagschule mit 8 Lehrern, 90 Schülern, nebst der noch nicht vollständig organisirten Predigtstation der Christus-Capelle, von der Johannis-Kirche errichtet, wo eine Sonntagschule mit 16 Lehrern und 150 Schülern sich befindet. Beide Predigtplätze waren schon früher in Angriff genommen, bis es ihre Committee in Anbetracht der Lokalverhältnisse für geboten hielt, beide zu einer Mission, unter Leitung des Pastor E. Hartmann, zu vereinigen. Während St. Markus eine Gemeinde unter Leitung eines besondern Verwaltungsraths bildet, kann ein Gleiches von den Versammlungen in der Christus-Capelle noch nicht berichtet werden. Die Unterstützung aus der Kasse beläuft sich auf $500 fürs Jahr.

Ebenso nothwendig wie diese Mission, so schwierig erscheint sie aber auch, und unser junger Missionar hat mit mancherlei Hindernissen zu kämpfen, die freilich weder ihn noch uns entmuthigen dürfen, um so weniger da auch schon ermuthigende Fortschritte zu Tage treten.

Bleibt nun auch im Allgemeinen bei unserer Missionsthätigkeit vieles zu klagen, — und daran kein geringer Theil über uns selbst — viel zu wünschen, zu erflehen und zu erarbeiten übrig, so dürfen wir's doch unserm Herrn mit dankbarem Herzen nachrühmen, daß Er uns sichtbar gesegnet hat, mehr als in manchem Jahre zuvor und Ihm freudig vertrauen, daß Er auch ferner das Werk unserer Hände fördern werde. H. Grahn, Präsident.

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Angenommen.

Beschlossen, daß die Wahl für Glieder der Executiv-Committee, Delegaten an das General-Concil, Trustees für das Mühlenberg Collegium und Direktoren des theologischen Seminars morgen Vormittag 9 Uhr stattfinde.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor P. Isenschmidt.

Abends (Dienstag) fand die Ordination von 20 Candidaten für das Predigtamt statt. Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D., hielt die Ordinationspredigt über Apgsch. 1, 14. Die Ordinations-Handlung wurde vom Ehrw. Präsidenten des Ministeriums, Pastor G. F. Krotel, D. D., assistirt von den beiden Secretären, vollzogen. (Die Namen der Ordinirten sind auf Seite 11 wie auch in den Ministerial-Verhandlungen zu finden.)

Zehnte Sitzung.

Mittwoch, den 2. Juni 1885, Vormittags 8½ Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde mit einem von Pastor B. W. Schmauk geleiteten Gottesdienst eröffnet.

Das Protokoll wurde in englischer Sprache verlesen.

Die Pastoren W. A. Schaeffer, C. W. Schaeffer, D. D., H. T. Duensing, A. W. Walter und Herr C. A. Hensel erhielten Erlaubniß, ihre Namen in das Protokoll als solche einzufügen, welche in der Angelegenheit des Herrn L. L. Houpt ihre Stimmen gegen den Synodalbeschluß abgaben. Ebenso wurde auch denen erlaubt, ihre Namen in das Protokoll eintragen zu lassen, welche sich des Stimmens in jener Frage enthielten. Hierauf wurde das Protokoll der vorhergehenden Sitzung angenommen.

In Abwesenheit des deutschen Secretärs, Pastor F. P. Mayser, ernannte der Ehrw. Präsident Pastor F. W. Weiskotten als dessen Stellvertreter.

Pastor S. Laird stattete folgenden Bericht der Delegation an das General-Concil ab:

Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Die siebenzehnte Convention des General-Concils wurde zu Monroe, Michigan, vom 16. zum 21. Oktober 1884 gehalten. 10 Synoden waren durch 47 Pastoren und 19 Laien-Delegaten vertreten: 14 Pastoren und 9 Laien-Delegaten waren von diesem Ministerium gegenwärtig.

Das Missionswerk des General-Concils beschäftigte in besonderem Maße die Aufmerksamkeit der Versammlung.

Die Heidenmissions-Committee reichte einen umfassenden Bericht über ihr Werk und über den Fortschritt ein, der im letzten Jahre gemacht wurde. Folgende statistische Angaben wurden vorgelegt:

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Im Missionsfeld standen während des Jahres Missionare	3
Missionsfrauen	2
Auf Urlaub	1
Ausgesandt nach Indien	1
Eingeborene Pastoren	2
Nicht ordinirte Evangelisten und Katechisten	3
Lehrer	60
Schüler in Rajahmundry	419
Schüler in den Distrikts-Schulen	379
Getauft im Jahre 1880	124
„ „ „ 1881	170
„ „ „ 1882	262
„ „ „ 1883	356
„ „ „ 1884 (in 6 Monaten)	202
Confirmirt	6
Communikanten	479
Getaufte Christen	1156

Ausgaben in Indien für Gehalt	$5554 89
„ „ „ „ Schulen	920 05
„ „ „ „ Gebäude	1422 99
„ „ „ „ Unterschiedliches	632 52
Zusammen	$8530 45

Die Gesammt-Ausgaben in Amerika mit Einschluß der Reisekosten von Missionar Schmidt und Frau, der Ausrüstung von F. J. C. MacCready und verschiedenen anderen Unkosten beliefen sich auf $1753.06. Die Gesammt-Einnahme in Amerika war $10,379.18 und in Indien, außer den von der Committee ausgesandten Geldern, $684.31. Missionar H. C. Schmidt und Frau, die auf Urlaub von Indien hier waren, besuchten die Versammlung des General-Concils. Pastor F. J. C. MacCready, der nach Vollendung seiner Studien im theologischen Seminar letztes Jahr von diesem Ministerium ordinirt wurde, ist auf das Missionsfeld in Indien ausgesandt worden. Ein Missionar, Pastor H. G. B. Artmann, der auch von diesem Ministerium ordinirt wurde und nicht ganz 4 Jahre in Rajahmundry gewesen war und große Hoffnungen für die Zukunft gab, starb am 18. September 1884. Das General-Concil faßte Beschlüsse hinsichtlich dieses Todesfalles.

Die Englische Einheimische Missions-Committee berichtete, daß sie dieses Jahr 5 Missionen unter sich hatte, die in Gemeinden organisirt sind, und 4 Missionsstationen, wo Gottesdienste gehalten werden. Die Missionen sind: Toledo, Ohio, unter Pastor S. L. Harkey, D. D.; Trinity, Chicago, unter Pastor C. Körner; Wicker Park, Chicago, unter Pastor F. C. C. Kähler; Minneapolis und Red Wing, Minnesota, unter Pastor G. H. Trabert; St. Paul, Minn., unter Pastor A. J. D. Houpt. Diese Missionen wurden von einem Gliede dieser Committee besucht. Derselbe Pastor besuchte auch andere Missionsfelder, besonders entlang der North Pacific Eisenbahn und empfahl sie der Committee. Die Gesammt-Einnahme war $4315.01 und die Gesammt-Ausgaben $3735.60, Rest $579.41. Dabei ist aber von der alten Schuld von $1000 nichts abbezahlt.

Die Deutsche Einheimische Missions-Committee berichtete über folgende Distrikte und Stationen, die ganz oder theilweise von ihr mit Arbeitern versehen worden sind:

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In Canada: Muskoka, Thorne Centre, Admaston, Renfrew, Denbigh, Sebastopol, Plevna. In Michigan: Windsor, West Branch, Sterling, Gaylord, Pilmanagh, Caro, South Haven, Reed City und Lapeer. In Texas: New Baden, Rockdale, Bartlett, Bethlehem, Austin, North Grape Creek und Castroville. Für Nebraska ist ein Reise-Missionar angestellt worden. An manchen dieser Stationen wurde nur gelegentlich Gottesdienst gehalten, je nachdem die Missionare Zeit fanden, sie zu besuchen, andere wurden regelmäßig mit den Gnadenmitteln versehen. Die Hauptarbeit der Committee ging dahin, für solche Posten, die nicht versehen sind, Pastoren zu bekommen, weniger dahin, die Missionen an ihren Posten zu unterhalten. Darum hat die Committee Anstalten getroffen, eine beträchtliche Anzahl von Studenten erziehen zu lassen, einige wenige hier im Lande, die meisten aber in dem Seminar zu Kropp unter Pastor Paulsen.

Die Einnahmen waren $5452.96, die Ausgaben $5389.93, wovon $3495 nach Kropp gingen für das dortige Seminar-Gebäude, Professoren-Gehalte und Unterstützung der Studenten. $350 gingen nach Hermannsburg für dortige Studenten. Der Rest wurde hier verausgabt, $300 für einen Reiseprediger in Texas, $175 für einen solchen in Nebraska.

8000 Exemplare des Missionsblattes „Siloah" wurden im letzten Jahre circulirt. Die Einnahmen desselben betrugen $798.16, die Ausgaben, mit Einschluß von $100, die an die Missionskasse bezahlt wurden, waren $687.35. Rest $110.81. Die Missionskasse selbst hat eine Bilanz von $63.03.

Die Schwedische Einheimische Missions-Committee berichtete über ihr Werk im Allgemeinen, daß Missionare in San Francisco, Cal., Astoria, Portland und Marshfield, Oregon, Vancouver, New Takoma, Skagit und Seattle, Washington Territory und Cordilia, Idaho Territory stationirt sind. Die Mission in Utah wird noch aufrecht erhalten, obwohl gegenwärtig kein Missionar dort stationirt ist. Finnische Missionare wurden in Astoria, Oregon, Ashtabula und Burton, Ohio und in Michigan angestellt. Unter den schwedischen Einwanderern arbeiten Missionare in Castle Garden, New York, Chicago, Ills. und einen Theil des Jahres zu St. Paul und Minneapolis, Minn.; Omaha, Nebr. und in Kansas City. Missionen für Seeleute sind in Philadelphia, Brooklyn und San Francisco gegründet worden.

Das Missionswerk der Synode wird hauptsächlich von den einzelnen Conferenzen gethan und zwar in folgender Weise; 1. von den fest angestellten Pastoren neuer Gemeinden; 2. von Reisepredigern; 3. von Pastoren kleiner Gemeinden, die für 2 oder 3 Monate im Jahr zur Missionsarbeit berufen werden; 4. durch Besuche, die fast von allen Pastoren der Synode in vakanten Gemeinden und Missionsfeldern gemacht werden. Die Summe von $8552.06 wurde für Einheimische Mission aufgebracht.

Die Mission unter den Slaven, die in dieses Land eingewandert sind, wurde der Aufmerksamkeit des General-Concils empfohlen und von demselben mit einer Empfehlung an die Executiv-Committee dieses Ministeriums verwiesen.

Nachdem alle diese Berichte verlesen waren, wurden folgende Resolutionen angenommen, welche von den Präsidenten der Distrikt-Synoden ihren Synoden vorgelegt werden sollen. (Siehe Resolutionen im Jahres-Bericht des Präsidenten, Erste Sitzung, Seite 20, wie auch deutsche Verhandlungen des General-Concils 1884, Seite 93.)

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Die Emigranten-Committee berichtete über die deutsche und schwedische Mission in Castle Garden. Die Einnahmen mit Einschluß der Bilanz des vorigen Jahres waren $2144.22 und die Ausgaben $1862; Bilanz $282.22.

Die Kirchenbuch-Committee legte in deutscher Sprache Entwürfe der Tauf-Ordnung (für Kinder und Erwachsene), Confirmations- und Beicht-Ordnung vor, auf deren Besprechung das General-Concil einen beträchtlichen Theil seiner Zeit verwendete. Die Ordnung der Kindertaufe wurde mit einer Anzahl von Veränderungen angenommen, welche die Committee bei einer Revision dem Entwurf einverleiben soll. Die Committee wurde beauftragt, sobald als möglich eine englische Bearbeitung dieser und anderer Vorlagen herauszugeben, so daß sie provisorisch gebraucht werden können.

Die Committee, welche mit der Ausarbeitung eines Gesang- und Gebetbuches für Kleinkinderklassen beauftragt war, berichtete, daß die Arbeit nach dem früher vorgelegten Plan ausgeführt worden und fast ganz für den Druck fertig sei. Eine Gottesdienst-Ordnung, gegründet auf den alten Matutin- und Vesper-Gottesdienst, mit Morgen-, Abend- und Tisch-Gebeten, wurde im Buch aufgenommen. Das Verlagsrecht wurde im Namen des General-Concils gesichert und die Publications-Committee wurde beauftragt, das Buch herauszugeben. Mit Rücksicht auf die Publicationen des General-Concils wurde beschlossen, daß die Vice-Präsidenten es den District-Synoden ans Herz legen, daß in allen ihren Gemeinden unsere Kirchenbücher in deutscher und englischer Sprache und die anderen Publicationen des General-Concils eingeführt werden.

Mehrere Petitionen um die Gründung eines officiellen Organs in deutscher Sprache wurden eingereicht und darauf hin beschlossen, diese Sache den District-Synoden vorzulegen, damit sie ihre Ansichten und Wünsche in dieser Angelegenheit nächstes Jahr dem General-Concil vorlegen.

Ein Dokument von der Holston-Synode wurde vorgelegt, worin angezeigt wurde, daß der Versuch gemacht werden sollte, die ganze lutherische Kirche des Südens in einem Allgemeinen Körper auf strict confessioneller Basis zu vereinigen. Für diesen Fall bat die Holston-Synode um Erlaubniß, sich einem solchen Körper anzuschließen. Der Präsident wurde bevollmächtigt, die Synode aus dem Verband des General-Concils zu entlassen, sobald ein Allgemeiner Körper auf solcher Basis im Süden sich bilde.

Ein Beschluß wurde passirt, daß eine Committee angestellt werde, eine passende Erklärung des Kleinen Katechismus auszuarbeiten.

Es wurde auch über die Gründung und Entwicklung des Proseminars in Rochester, N. Y. berichtet. Dasselbe wurde gut geheißen und die Deutsche Einheimische Missions-Committee wurde beauftragt, künftighin über diese Anstalt zu berichten.

Die nächste Versammlung des General-Concils wird in der St. Johannis-Kirche zu Philadelphia (Pastor A. Späth, D. D.) gehalten und am dritten Donnerstag im October eröffnet werden. Achtungsvoll vorgelegt

Die Delegation.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und auf Antrag von Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,

Beschlossen, die Heidenmissions-Committee des General-Concils zu ersuchen, eine Biographie des verstorbenen Missionars, Pastor H. G. B. Artman für das Archiv des Ministeriums zu liefern.

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Pastor J. W. Haßler verlas den Bericht der Committee über Nominationen für Glieder der Executiv-Committee, für Trustees des Mühlenberg Collegiums, Directoren des theologischen Seminars und Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Beschlossen, diesen Bericht anzunehmen, die Ausgaben der Committee für das Drucken der Stimmzettel zu bezahlen und die Committee zu entlassen.

Die Synode schritt hierauf zur Wahl mit folgenden Wahlaufsehern:

Wahl für Glieder der Executiv-Committee: Die Pastoren: J. K. Plitt, L. Lindenstruth und Herrn E. H. Albright.

Wahl für Directoren des Seminars: Die Pastoren: S. E. Ochsenford, A. B. Markley und Herrn J. B. Zimmele.

Wahl für Trustees des Mühlenberg-Collegiums: Die Pastoren: F. K. Huntzinger, B. M. Zimmerman und Herrn A. Bendel.

Wahl für Delegaten an das General-Concil: Die Pastoren: S. A. Ziegenfuß, H. H. Bruning und Herrn C. A. Hensel.

Beschlossen, daß als Nachfolger des verstorbenen Herrn C. D. Colladay und für dessen noch nicht abgelaufene Dienstzeit als Director des theologischen Seminars, derjenige Laie, welcher die niederste Stimmenzahl aus den sieben Erwählten erhält, gelten soll.

Pastor J. M. Anspach lud im Namen seiner Gemeinde die Synode ein, ihre nächste Jahres-Versammlung in der Christus-Kirche zu Easton, Pa. zu halten. Die Einladung wurde einstimmig angenommen.

Der Bericht der Delegation an das General-Concil wurde weiter in Erwägung gezogen und auf Antrag der Pastoren J. Fry, D. D., und B. M. Schmucker, D. D., in Sache der Kirchenblätter

Beschlossen, daß dieses Ministerium nicht bereit sei, dem General-Concil die Gründung eines officiellen Organs oder von Organen jenes Körpers zu empfehlen.

Der Bericht wurde dann als Ganzes angenommen.

Pastor J. K. Plitt berichtete die Erwählung folgender Personen als Glieder der Executiv-Committee:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. F. J. F. Schantz,	Herrn A. W. Potteiger,
„ J. J. Kündig,	„ A. Bendel,
„ B. Sadtler, D. D.,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,	„ L. H. Ließ,
„ D. H. Geissinger.	„ C. R. Lantz.

Pastor J. D. Schindel verlas folgenden

Jahres-Bericht des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenberg-Collegiums.

Der Verwaltungsrath hat nichts besonderes zu berichten. Die jährliche Versammlung wurde am 25. und 26. Juni 1884 und die halbjährliche am 20. Januar 1885 abgehalten.

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Die Zahl der im diesjährigen Cataloge angeführten Studenten ist 107. Von diesen befinden sich 62 im Collegium selbst und die übrigen 45 in der akademischen Abtheilung. In der Seniorklasse sind 13 Studenten; von welchen sich wenigstens 10 dem Predigtamte widmen wollen. Die akademische Abtheilung stand dieses Jahr unter der Aufsicht der Herren George T. Ettinger, A. M., und E. S. Dieter, M. E. Diese Einrichtung scheint allgemeine Zufriedenheit gegeben zu haben und wird wahrscheinlich im kommenden Jahre beibehalten werden. Prof. N. W. Thomas, Professor der Naturwissenschaften, hat seine Resignation der Executiv-Committee eingehändigt, welche am 1. Juli 1885 in Kraft treten soll. Dieselbe wurde angenommen. Ein Plan wurde bei einer Versammlung der Executiv-Committee und der Facultät am Freitag Abend, den 22. Mai, entworfen und angenommen, um diese Lehrstelle für das nächste Jahr zu versorgen. Dieser Plan soll dem Verwaltungsrath bei der kommenden jährlichen Versammlung vorgelegt werden.

Bei der am 26. August gehaltenen monatlichen Versammlung der Executiv-Committee überreichte Pastor R. Hill seine Resignation als Schatzmeister, welche am 1. Sept. 1884 in Kraft treten sollte. Sie wurde angenommen und Pastor C. J. Cooper als Nachfolger erwählt. Derselbe soll einstweilen bis zur Jahres-Versammlung dienen. Pastor Cooper wurde auch als Finanz-Agent angestellt und es ist ihm schon gelungen, mehr Interesse für die Anstalt zu wecken.

Die betreffende Committee hat dafür gesorgt, daß die Gebäulichkeiten des Collegiums in diesen Tagen reparirt und angestrichen werden. Die hiezu nöthigen Mittel wurden theilweise von dem Finanz-Agenten gesammelt, der auch jetzt noch mit Sammlung von Beiträgen beschäftigt ist. Auch wurden $825.00 durch einen von den Frauen Allentown's zu diesem Zwecke abgehaltenen Bazar aufgebracht.

Die jährliche Verwilligung von $1000 seitens der Executiv-Committee des Ministeriums ist richtig erhalten und sorgfältig verwendet worden. Die Anstalt wird solche Verwilligung auch fernerhin nöthig haben. Die Dienstzeit folgender Mitglieder des Verwaltungsraths läuft mit der gegenwärtigen Synodalsitzung ab: Die Pastoren: R. Hill, J. K. Plitt, F. J. F. Schantz, B. W. Schmauk, J. B. Rath, J. D. Schindel und die Herren: Jon. Reichard, A. W. Potteiger, A. Stanley Ulrich, Esq., und Hon. E. S. Shimer.

Da ein Finanz-Bericht dem Bericht vom letzten Jahr ähnlich sein würde, so wird es nicht nöthig sein, einen solchen hier abzustatten.

Achtungsvoll,

J. D. Schindel,

Sekretär des Verwaltungsraths.

Allentown, Pa., 29. Mai 1885.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

In Verbindung mit demselben theilte Pastor F. J. F. Schantz mit, daß im Laufe des Jahres etwa $800 für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors im Mühlenberg-Collegium eingegangen seien.

Beschlossen, die Pastoren und Gemeinden zu bitten, auch fernerhin für diesen Zweck ihre Beiträge zu liefern. Ferner

Beschlossen, daß die bisherige Committee über die deutsche Professur fortbestehe.

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Ehrw. Prof. W. J. Mann, D. D., stattete folgenden Bericht über Revision des Katechismus mit Erklärungen ab:

Bericht der Katechismus-Committee.

Ihr Committee hat die Ehre zu berichten, daß die demselben gestellte Aufgabe, nämlich Vorschläge zur Verbesserung der von diesem Ehrw. Körper im Jahre 1863 herausgegebene Ausgabe des Luth. Kleinen Katechismus mit Erklärung desselben in Fragen und Antworten vorzulegen, in gehörige Erwägung genommen wurde, daß die beiden Glieder des Committees über den ihnen anvertrauten Gegenstand theils durch Correspondenz, theils durch mündliche Besprechung die Gedanken austauschten, daß ihnen auch von Gliedern des Ministeriums Ansichten und Wünsche mitgetheilt wurden, daß sie aber in Berücksichtigung des Umstandes, daß die Allgemeine Kirchen-Versammlung beschlossen hat, den Kleinen Katechismus Luthers mit Erklärung herauszugeben, sich erlaubt, es dem Urtheil der Synode anheimzustellen, ob nicht zunächst das Erscheinen des von der Allgemeinen Kirchen-Versammlung beabsichtigten Buches zu erwarten wäre.

W. J. Mann,
G. F. Krotel.

Der Bericht sammt der Empfehlung der Committee wurde angenommen.

Pastor A. Späth, D. D., verlas folgenden

Bericht der Committee über die Revision des Katechismus.

Die unterzeichnete Committee, welche angestellt wurde, um die von den Conferenzen vorgeschlagenen Veränderungen des Katechismus zu vergleichen (S. Prot. 1884, Seite 72) berichtet, wie folgt:

Wir haben die Vorlagen der zweiten Conferenz sorgfältig geprüft und empfehlen die Annahme der folgenden Beschlüsse:

I. Daß dies Ministerium sich darauf beschränke, einen einzigen Katechismus herauszugeben, nämlich einen Deutschen und einen Englischen.

II. Daß der Text und die Anordnung mit dem Kirchenbuch (deutsch und englisch) übereinstimmen soll.

III. Unter den Vorschlägen von Veränderungen in der Uebersetzung und Anordnung des Englischen Katechismus sind manche, welche diese Committee von Herzen gut heißt. Wir sind auch bereit, einige weitere Vorschläge in dieser Hinsicht dazu zu machen.

Allein, ehe man sich auf die Besprechung solcher Veränderungs-Vorschläge einläßt, sollte zuerst die Frage betrachtet werden, ob es räthlich ist, in dem Katechismustext, wie er im Kirchenbuch sich findet, Veränderungen vorzunehmen. Und wenn das Ministerium bereit ist, in dieser Richtung vorzugehen, dann sollte der Vorschlag dazu dem General-Concil vorgelegt werden, so daß die etwaigen Veränderungen unter der Autorität des Allgemeinen Körpers ausgehen, welcher die Kirchenbücher herausgegeben hat.

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IV. Als Anhang, oder zweiten Theil des sogen. Grünen Katechismus schlägt die zweite Conferenz folgende Stücke vor:

1. Heilsordnung No. 3.
2. Heilsordnung No. 4.
3. Gliederung (Analysis) des Katechismus.
4. Confirmanden-Examen.
5. Das Kirchenjahr erweitert, erklärt und in besserer Form.
6. Biblische und kirchengeschichtliche Zeittafel erweitert und verbessert.
7. Kurze liturgische Formulare für Eröffnung und Schluß des Confirmanden-Unterrichts.
8. Auswahl einiger Lieder.

Nach der Ansicht Ihrer Committee wäre es hinreichend, dem Katechismus die gewünschte Erklärung über das Kirchenjahr beizufügen, während die übrigen Stücke des vorgeschlagenen Anhangs wegbleiben könnten.

Achtungsvollst

A. Spaeth,
H. E. Jacobs.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen. Ehe es zur Verhandlung darüber kam, berichtete Pastor E. S. Ochsenford die Erwählung folgender

Directoren des theologischen Seminars:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. J. Fry, D. D.,	Herr W. H. Staake, Esq.,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,	„ J. Rommel, M. D.,
„ F. Wischan,	„ H. Beates,
„ F. W. Weiskotten,	„ J. A. Geissenhainer, Esq.,
„ W. A. Schaeffer,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ J. J. Kündig.	„ W. W. Kurtz,
	„ J. Zaun.

Herr A. Bendel berichtete die Erwählung folgender

Trustees des Mühlenberg-Collegiums:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. F. Spieker,	Herr A. G. Saeger,
„ J. D. Schindel,	„ A. W. Potteiger,
„ E. Smith,	„ E. S. Shimer,
„ F. J. F. Schantz,	„ A. Stanley Ulrich, Esq.
„ J. N. S. Erb,	
„ G. A. Strunz.	

Die Sitzung vertagte sich mit Gebet von Pastor G. A. Hinterleitner.

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Elfte Sitzung.

Mittwoch, den 2. Juni 1885, 2 Uhr Nachmittags.

Pastor J. A. Darmstätter leitete den Eröffnungsgottesdienst.
Das Protokoll wurde verlesen und angenommen.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz legte folgenden Bericht vor:

Bericht der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich zu berichten, daß die ganze, im letzten Jahr für die wohlthätigen Zwecke der Synode erhobene Summe, den Parochialberichten gemäß, sich auf $18,844.96 beläuft, während die Beiträge im vorhergehenden Jahr $18,831.07 betrugen.

Tabelle No. II führt die Summe der im verflossenen Synodaljahr erwarteten Beiträge, ferner die bis Dato berichteten Einzahlungen und die für das angetretene Jahr zugetheilten Auflagen an.

Die für das angetretene Synodaljahr nöthigen Gelder sind für folgende Zwecke:

Synodalzwecke	$3,000 00
Erziehung	6,000 00
Theologisches Seminar	1,283 70
Mühlenberg Collegium	1,000 00
Einheimische Mission (Penn'a Synode)	6,000 00
Stadtmission (Philadelphia)	
Heidenmission	3,000 00
Summa	$20,283 70

Beiträge für die deutsche und die englische Einheimische Missionen des General-Concils sind in obigem Ueberschlag nicht mit eingerechnet.

Achtungsvoll

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und die Committee, bestehend aus den Pastoren F. J. F. Schantz, B. F. Apple, E. E. Sibole, J. J. Creßman, S. A. Ziegenfuß, H. B. Strodach, H. N. Fegley und A. P. Pflüger, wieder ernannt.

Beschlossen, daß die Committee den Pastoren so bald als möglich die ihnen zugetheilten Auflagen für das angetretene Synodaljahr mittheilen soll.

Pastor A. Späth's D. D., Bericht über die Synodal-Katechismen wurde weiter in Erwägung gezogen.

Ueber No. I wurde

Beschlossen, daß nur ein Normaltext des Kleinen Katechismus Dr. M. Luthers in der englischen und der deutschen Ausgabe der Synode gebraucht werde.

Ueber No. II.

Beschlossen, daß dieser einheitliche Normaltext der Katechismen der des englischen und des deutschen Kirchenbuchs sein soll.

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Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß berichtete die Erwählung folgender

Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Pastoren.	Laien.
Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D. D., ex officio.,	Herr W. H. Staake, Esq.,
„ A. Späth, D. D.,	„ J. C. File,
„ H. E. Jacobs, D. D.,	„ A. W. Potteiger,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ J. Fry, D. D.,	„ H. Lehman.
„ W. J. Mann, D. D.,	„ A. Bendel,
„ J. A. Seiß, D. D.,	„ C. D. Norton,
„ G. F. Spieker,	„ J. A. Geissenhainer, Esq.,
„ J. J. Kündig,	„ P. B. Breinig, M. D.,
„ F. W. Weiskotten,	„ J. B. Zimmele,
„ S. Laird,	„ C. H. Schäffer, Esq.,
„ R. Hill,	„ Prof. A. Rembo,
„ G. A. Hinterleitner,	„ W. Hauff,
„ M. C. Horine,	„ J. Born.
„ F. J. F. Schantz,	„ C. F. Kopitzsch,
„ F. Wischan,	„ H. Beates,
„ D. H. Geissinger.	„ R. B. Miller.

Beschlossen, daß die nächsten 17 auf der Liste der Erwählten gelten sollen als

Stellvertreter an das General-Concil.

Pastoren.	Laien.
Ehrw. C. W. Schäffer, D. D.,	Herr Isaak Fegley,
„ H. Grahn,	„ Geo. Reinöhl,
„ B. Sadtler, D. D.	„ H. Wells,
„ C. J. Cooper,	„ L. H. Ließ,
„ J. A. Darmstätter,	„ Evan Buchman,
„ W. Wackernagel, D. D.	„ Jacob Mohr,
„ E. E. Sibole,	„ B. F. Saylor,
„ L. Groh,	„ Peter Seip,
„ F. P. Mayser,	„ C. R. Lantz, Esq.,
„ J. R. Groff,	„ J. G. Finley,
„ J. W. Haßler,	„ Jonas Laubenstein,
„ D. K. Kepner,	„ W. H. Bickel,
„ J. W. Early,	„ M. Sellers,
„ J. E. Nidecker,	„ Karl Klenk,
„ B. E. Kramlich,	„ Daniel Melot,
„ C. E. Houpt,	„ Karl Hahn,
	„ J. D. Raffensberger.

Die Berathung über die Synodal-Katechismen wurde fortgesetzt und nachdem die in No. III. vorgeschlagenen Veränderungen vorgelesen waren, wurde

Beschlossen, daß eine Veränderung des Textes in den Katechismen nicht rathsam sei.

No IV., bezüglich des Anhangs, wurde angenommen. Ebenso der Bericht als Ganzes.

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Auf Antrag von Pastor J. Fry, D. D., wurde der in der zehnten Sitzung gefaßte Beschluß, welcher die Revision der „Mann und Krotel'schen Katechismus-Erklärung" aufschiebt, bis das General-Conzil eine Erklärung des Katechismus vollendet hat, wieder in Erwägung gezogen und

Beschlossen, daß die Doktoren Mann und Krotel ersucht werden, mit der Revision der Erklärung des Katechismus gemäß des Synodal-Beschlusses fortzufahren, mit der Autorität, ihre vollendete Arbeit im Druck zur Prüfung an die Glieder der Synode zu vertheilen.

Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D. stellte folgenden Antrag:

Da das General-Concil das Ministerium ersucht hat, seinen Schatzmeister zu bevollmächtigen, von den Einkünften des englischen Church Book die Auslagen der Concil-Committee über Herstellung einer gemeinschaftlichen Gottesdienstordnung in Verbindung mit Committeen anderer lutherischen General-Körper zu bezahlen, so sei

Beschlossen, daß der Schatzmeister beauftragt sei, auf Anweisung des Vorsitzers der Kirchenbuch-Committee solche Auslagen zu vergüten.

Der Beschluß wurde angenommen.

Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., verlas den

Bericht der Publication-Committee.

Philadelphia, den 21. Mai 1885.

An den Präsidenten und die Mitglieder des Evangelisch-Lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten.

Ihre Publications-Committee organisirte sich durch die Erwählung von Pastor F. Wischan als Präsident, Herrn John C. File als Schatzmeister und Herrn Wm. H. Staake als Secretär.

Die Platten und gedruckten Bogen des Benner Summeytown Catechism sind bei Sherman & Co. aufbewahrt. Eine Bestellung für 1000 Exemplare wurde von der Pilger-Buchhandlung, Reading, Pa. eingesandt und ihre Committee ließ 4000 drucken.

Es wurde beschlossen:

1. Daß die Platten und Bogen bei Sherman & Co. bleiben sollen.
2. Die Katechismen nur in Bogen und nicht gebunden zu verkaufen.
3. Der Verkaufspreis soll wenigstens einen Reinertrag von 2 Cents per Exemplar für die Synode erzielen.

Die Zahl der verkauften gedruckten Bogen und gebundenen Exemplare des Deutschen Lutherischen Gesangbuches, bekannt als das Wollenweber-Buch, ist im beigefügten Bericht mitgeteilt.

Ihre Committee bestellte das Drucken einer neuen Auflage von 3100 Exemplaren des englischen Church Book. Die Auflage ergab 3450 derselben.

Weder Ehrw. G. W. Frederick noch Herr Jg. Kohler händigte einen Bericht ein.

Ihre Committee bedauert, daß die proponirte Publication eines stenographischen Berichts der Verhandlungen der letzten Versammlung des Ministeriums in Reading durchfiel, da es sich zeigte, daß die Kosten sich auf ca. $500 belau-

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fen würden, ohne irgend eine Vergütung für den Herausgeber des Berichts. Nur 100 Subscriptionen gingen ein, nicht hinreichend um diese erwünschte Publikation unternehmen zu können, indem hiermit nicht einmal die Druck- und andere Kosten hätten bestritten werden können, trotzdem, daß die Dienste des Stenographen unentgeltlich waren.

Wm. H. Staake, } Committee.
Jno. C. File, }

Bericht des Schatzmeisters der Publications-Committee: Jno. C. File.

I. Deutsches Lutherisches Gesangbuch, bekannt als das „Wollenweber-Buch".

A) 16mo. Bogen.

Vorräthig laut letztem Bericht	1543
Gedruckt	2150
Zusammen	3693
Gebunden	1750
	1943
Verkauft	190
Vorräthig in Bogen	1753

B) 16mo. Gebunden.

	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.
Vorräthig laut letztem Bericht	479	99	77	23
Neu gebunden während des Jahrs	1550	49	51	100
Zusammen	2029	148	128	123
Verkauft	1448	26	8	4
Vorrath	581	122	120	119

C) 32mo. Bogen.

Vorräthig laut letztem Bericht	4489
Gedruckt	2600
Zusammen	7089
Gebunden	2949
	4090
In Bogen verkauft	1393
Vorrath	2697

D) 32mo. Gebunden.

	No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.	No. 4.
Vorrath laut letztem Bericht	553	188	42	85
Neu gebunden während des Jahres	2551	100	198	100
Zusammen	3104	288	240	185
Verkauft	2595	75	84	34
Vorrath	509	213	156	151

Zum Kostenpreis angeschlagen hat sich der Werth des Vorraths @ $166.25 vermehrt.

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II. Benner Summerstown Katechismus.

4000 Bogen gedruckt		$112 25
1000 verkauft		50 00
Vorrath, 3000 Bogen.	Schuld	$62 25

III. English Church Book.

Sherman & Co's. Bericht steht wie folgt:

1. Auflage 3100 @		$479 00
2. „ 3100 @		424 95
3. „ 3450 @		472 92
Bogen 9650 @		$1376 87

Einbezahlt durch Sherman & Co., $1800
„ „ J. C. File..... $150 $1950 für 6500 Bogen.
Vorrath 3150 Bogen. Ueberschuß $573.13.
Werth der Bogen $431.79 @ Kostenpreis.

Bezahlungen des Schatzmeisters der Publications-Committee an Ehrw. J. B. Rath, Schatzmeister.

Einnahmen des Deutschen Lutherischen Gesangbuches, bekannt als Wollenweber-Buch.

Laut Bericht des Agenten Pastor C. G. Fischer		$3092 57
Ausgaben. Druckkosten 2150 16mo. 2600 32mo	$489 37	
Einbinden, Verpacken 2c	997 59	
Gehalt des Agenten	100 00	
		$1586 96
		$1505 61
Einnahmen des Benner Katechismus		50 00
Einnahmen für 500 Bogen English Church Book, durch J. C. File (alle anderen wurden direkt von Sherman & Co. an Pastor J. B. Rath eingesandt)		150 00
		$1705 61

Ausgaben: Church Book Rechnung.

Druckkosten. 24. April 1884. 3100 @	$424 95	
„ 30. April 1885. 3450 @	472 92	
	$897 87	
Druckkosten des Benner Katechismus	112 25	
		$1010 12
		$695 49

Bilanz an den Schatzmeister Pastor J. B. Rath überreicht.

Angenommen und die Committee wieder ernannt.

Ebenso verlas Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., den

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Bericht der Finanz-Committee.

Philadelphia, den 23. Mai 1885.

An das Evangelisch-Lutherische Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und den angrenzenden Staaten.

Die Finanz-Committee Ihres Körpers erlaubt sich, achtungsvoll Folgendes zu berichten.

Der Präsident des Ministeriums verwies an Ihre Committee das Sicherheitsschreiben des Ehrw. J. B. Rath als des bei der 137. Jahresversammlung dieses Körpers erwählten Schatzmeisters.

Nach genauer Untersuchung fand sie die auf besagtem Sicherheitsschreiben unterzeichnete Bürgschaften von Ehrw. W. Rath und Herr P. B. Breinig, M. D., als befriedigend und gab hiervon dem Präsidenten officielle Nachricht. Das Sicherheitsschreiben, datirt am 13. Juni 1884 und mit dem Betrag von $15,000 ausgefertigt, wurde, nachdem es vom Schatzmeister und dessen Bürgen unterzeichnet war, am 14. Juni 1884 abgegeben.

Ihre Committee gab dem Schatzmeister den Rath, von Herrn J. A. Geissenhainer als Vertreter von Frau Anna Burkhalter von New York, Zahlungen an dem Fundirungs-Capital der Burkhalter-Professur im theologischen Seminar in Empfang zu nehmen, und, falls es ermittelt werden könne, daß die von der Michigan Southern und Northern Indiana Eisenbahn ausgestellten Pfandscheine (bonds) ohne Mühe in baar Geld umgesetzt werden können, so wurde dem Schatzmeister gerathen, die Summe von $20,000 in solchen Pfandscheinen zu ihrem nominellen Werthe als Zahlung an obigen Fond in Empfang zu nehmen und dieselben in Baargeld umzuwandeln.

Der Schatzmeister berichtete am 7. Juli 1884, daß er von dem früheren Schatzmeister, Ehrw. J. Fry, D. D. alle Sicherheitsscheine und alle anderen von ihm bei der letzten in Reading gehaltenen Versammlung des Ministeriums berichteten Gelder empfangen habe.

Eine Anzahl Gesuche um Anl.ihen wurden von Ihrer Committee während des verflossenen Jahres in Betracht genommen.

Die Glieder der Committee haben immerhin, wo es möglich war, das Grundeigenthum, welches als Pfand für die Anleihe angeboten wurde, persönlich in Ansicht genommen und geprüft. Lag solches Eigenthum außerhalb der Stadt Philadelphia, so stellte Ihre Committee ein wohl bekanntes und befähigtes Glied unserer Kirche, welches in der Nachbarschaft solchen Eigenthums wohnhaft ist, an, um dasselbe zu untersuchen und uns einen schriftlichen Bericht darüber abzustatten. Von solchen Gesuchen wurden die folgenden gebilligt:

No. 2009 Columbia Ave., Phila., 5%	$4000 00
Grundeigenthum in Scranton, Pastor M. L. Zweizig, 6% . . .	3000 00
J. B. Zimmele, Bethlehem, 5%	1500 00
No. 615 Süd 2. Straße, Philadelphia	3000 00
No. 2406 Columbia Avenue, Philadelphia	3000 00

Der Pfandschein des letzteren wurde noch nicht übergeben und die Hypotheke auf dem Eigenthum in Scranton wurde gar nicht ausgestellt.

Ihre Committee bevollmächtigte den Präsidenten, das auf dem Gericht

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eingetragene und von Herrn Joseph Carter Powell auf das Eigenthum an der S. W. Ecke der 25. und Turner Str. in West Philadelphia an Herrn Chas. D. Colladay ausgestellte Pfand nebst der Hypotheke im Betrag von $1800 zu löschen, und ebenso auch die Feuerversicherungsscheine, welche als Bürgschaft in den Händen des Ministeriums waren, zurückzustellen.

Ihre Committee hat in letzter Zeit mehrere Gesuche um Anleihen zu 4½% empfangen. Da die Jahresversammlung des Ministeriums so nahe vor der Thür stand, so fühlte sich die Committee nicht berechtigt, sich auf eine Verringerung der Prozente für Anleihen von dem Ministerium einzulassen, sondern zog vor, den weiteren Instructionen dieses Körpers abzuwarten, ehe sie Gelder zu weniger als 5% anlegen wollte.

Herr C. D. Colladay, der für so viele Jahre Glied Ihrer Finanz-Committee war, starb während des Jahres.

Seine Collegen auf der Committee trugen Folgendes in ihre Verhandlungen ein:

„Die Collegen des Herrn Charles D. Colladay auf der Finanz-Committee drücken ihr Leid über das plötzliche Ableben ihres geschätzten Mitgliedes und Freundes aus. Herr Colladay war, während seiner vieljährigen Verbindung mit uns als Glied dieser Committee, in seinen Bemühungen für die finanziellen Interessen des Ministeriums immer ernst, eifrig und treu. Sie hatten in ihm einen weisen Rathgeber, einen eifrigen Vertreter und einen aufrichtigen, christlich gesinnten Mann. Sie betrauern seinen Verlust und bezeugen der hinterbliebenen Familie in ihrer Betrübniß ihre herzliche Theilnahme."

Der Präsident ernannte am 13. Dezember 1884 Herrn W. W. Kurtz, Mitglied der St. Markus-Gemeinde in Philadelphia, um die durch den Tod von Herrn Colladay gemachte Lücke auszufüllen. Herr Kurtz nahm die Ernennung an und hat seither als Glied Ihrer Committee gedient.

Der Schatzmeister zeigte Ihrer Committee an, daß er den Ertrag der Michigan Southern und Northern Indiana Eisenbahn Pfandscheine (bonds), welche fällig wurden, empfangen hat. Ihre Committee empfiehlt, daß alle nicht angelegten Gelder des Ministeriums in irgend einer gut stehenden und verantwortlichen Sicherheitsstätte (Trust Company oder Bank) deponirt werden, in welcher Zinsen für deponirte Gelder bezahlt und die Gelder auf Geldanweisungen ausbezahlt werden.

Obiges ist hiemit achtungsvoll unterbreitet

Wm. H. Staake,
Secretär der Finanz-Committee.

Angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß Paragraph 1, Art. III, Capitel 5 der revidirten Constitution einstweilen in Kraft trete und die Finanz-Committe sich durch denselben leiten lasse.

Der betreffende Paragraph lautet folgendermaßen:

„Das Ministerium ernennt bei jeder Jahresversammlung drei fähige und vorsichtige, nahe beisammen wohnende Männer aus dem Laienstande, die als Finanz-Committee dienen, und dem Präsidenten und Schatzmeister in der Verwaltung und Sicherstellung der Fonds und des Eigenthums, wenn nicht anderweitig durch Synodalbeschluß bestimmt, mit Rath und That zur Hand gehen."

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Beschlossen, daß die Committee, bestehend aus den Herren R. B. Miller, W. H. Staake, Esq. und W. W. Kurtz, wieder ernannt sei.

Pastor H. N. Fegley berichtete über

Aufnahme von Gemeinden.

Zwei Gemeinden haben um Aufnahme in unsern Synodal-Verband nachgesucht. 1. Die St. Markus-Gemeinde zu Aineyville, Pa. und die deutsche evang.-luth. Gemeinde zu Augusta, Georgia.

Ihre Committee hat die Gemeinde-Ordnungen dieser Gemeinden untersucht und sie in Uebereinstimmung mit der von unserer Synode empfohlenen gefunden. Wir schlagen deshalb vor:

1. Daß die Gemeinde zu Aineyville aufgenommen werde.
2. In Bezug auf die Gemeinde in Augusta, Ga. können wir wegen ihrer großen Entfernung von unserm Synodal-Bezirk die Aufnahme nicht empfehlen.

Achtungsvoll

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen, berathen und

Beschlossen, die Gemeinde zu Aineyville, Pa. aufzunehmen.

Bezüglich der Gemeinde in Augusta, Ga. wurde

Beschlossen, daß in Anbetracht der großen Entfernung, in welcher diese Gemeinde sich von uns befindet, und deren Lage innerhalb den Grenzen einer andern Synode, das Ansuchen um Aufnahme nicht gewährt werden kann.

Pastor H. N. Fegley stattete folgenden Bericht ab:

Bericht der Committee über Conferenz-Verhandlungen.

I. Versammlungen.

Alle Conferenzen hielten während des verflossenen Jahres die regelmäßigen halbjährigen Versammlungen.

II. Synodal-Beschlüsse, welche an die Conferenzen verwiesen wurden.

1. Vergrößerung der Executiv-Committee.

Dieser Gegenstand wurde von der ersten, vierten und fünften Conferenz übersehen. Die zweite Conferenz stimmte gegen eine Vergrößerung.

2. Freibrief für Gemeinden.

Die erste und vierte Conferenz besprachen denselben, faßten jedoch keine Beschlüsse darüber. Von der zweiten Conferenz wurde er gut geheißen; ebenfalls heißt die fünfte ihn gut, macht jedoch etliche Empfehlungen, welche der Secretär vorzulegen bereit ist.

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3. Die revidirte Constitution.

Besprochen wurde dieselbe von der zweiten, dritten und vierten Conferenz. Die zweite und vierte schlagen einige Veränderungen vor, welche vorgelegt werden können, wenn sie verlangt werden.

4. Theilung großer Pfarrdistrikte.

Bezüglich dieser Angelegenheit ernannte die zweite Conferenz eine Committee, bestehend aus den Beamten der Conferenz, eine Theilung in Uebereinstimmung mit den im Jahre 1876 von derselben niedergelegten Regeln und Veränderungen zu versuchen. Die erste und vierte Conferenz haben zur Zeit keine Pfarrstellen, die der Theilung bedürfen.

5. Bessere Vertheilung der Synodalarbeit.

In Bezug auf den ersten hierüber gemachten Vorschlag (siehe Verhandlungen 1884, Seite 70, III, 1) hat die erste Conferenz nichts zu berichten. Die zweite und vierte Conferenz machten den Zusatz:

„Ausgenommen er werde von zweidrittheil Mehrheit aller abgegebenen Stimmen erwählt." Die dritte Conferenz verwarf denselben; die fünfte Conferenz pflichtete dem darin ausgesprochenen Prinzip bei.

Der zweite Vorschlag (Verhandlungen 1884, Seite 71) wurde von der ersten Conferenz verworfen. Die zweite bestätigte denselben aufs Neue, mit Auslassung der Worte: „3 Pastoren und 3 Laien." Die dritte verwarf ihn; so auch die vierte aus folgenden Gründen: 1. Jede Conferenz ist unter der gegenwärtigen Ordnung durch ihren Präsidenten genügend in der Executiv-Committee vertreten — und wird es auch in Zukunft sein, falls die revidirte Constitution in Kraft tritt —, um diese Committee in den Stand zu setzen, in der Gründung und Unterstützung der Missionsstellen unpartheiisch und weise zu handeln. 2. Der vorgelegte Beschluß würde, anstatt es der Executiv-Committee möglich zu machen, in der Gründung und Unterstützung der Missionsstellen ohne Verzug die nöthigen Schritte zu thun, ein Hinderniß sein, indem er die von der Conferenz ernannte Committee unter die Aufsicht der Conferenz und nicht der Executiv-Committee stellt, welche letztere aber verpflichtet ist, in der Verwaltung der Gelder der Synode unpartheiisch und nach bestem Vermögen zu handeln. Die fünfte Conferenz heißt denselben gut.

Der dritte Vorschlag (Verhandlungen 1884, Seite 71) wurde von der ersten und dritten Conferenz verworfen. Die zweite und fünfte nahmen denselben auf's Neue an. Die vierte beschloß: Daß durch die Executiv-Committee die Anzahl der vom Ministerium zu erwählenden Delegaten an das General-Concil aus den Conferenzen im regelmäßigen Verhältniß der Vertretung bestimmt werde; daß eine Liste der Prediger nach ihrem Conferenz-Verband einem jeden Prediger vor der Delegaten-Wahl eingehändigt werde, um es den Gliedern der Synode zu ermöglichen für die jeder Conferenz zukommende Anzahl zu stimmen.

III. Parochial-Berichte.

Die zweite Conferenz faßte folgenden Beschluß: Da die Parochial-Berichte, wie sie in den Verhandlungen der Synode jetzt erscheinen, sehr ungenau und unzuverlässig sind, so empfiehlt die Conferenz der Synode eine Verände-

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rung des Datums, an welchem die Berichte abgeschlossen werden müssen, so daß sie bei der der Synode vorangehenden Sitzung der Conferenzen den Secretären der Conferenzen eingehändigt werden können, um dann in vollständiger und genauer Ordnung an die Synode zu gelangen. Der 31. Dezember wird von der Conferenz als die geeignetste Zeit empfohlen, zu welcher die Parochial-Berichte zum Abschluß kommen sollten.

IV. College Tag.

Die dritte Conferenz empfiehlt der Synode die Bestimmung eines Tages, welcher dem Interesse des Mühlenberg-Collegiums gewidmet und als „College Tag" angesehen werde.

V. Vorschläge der Committee.

1. Bezüglich der großen Pfarrstellen empfiehlt die Committee, die Conferenzen dringend zu ersuchen, in ihren Bestrebungen, solche Pfarrdistrikte zu theilen, fortzufahren.
2. Sie empfiehlt, daß die Beschlüsse bezüglich einer besseren Vertheilung der Synodalarbeit zur Besprechung und Erledigung bei dieser Versammlung vorgenommen werden.
3. In Bezug auf den Beschluß der zweiten Conferenz über Veränderung des Abschlusses der Parochial-Berichte ist Ihre Committee nicht bereit, einen Vorschlag zu machen.
4. Wir schlagen vor, daß alle Pastoren durch die Synode ersucht werden, während der Epiphanienzeit einen Sonntag in ihren Gemeinden als „College Tag" zu feiern.

Achtungsvoll

J. F. Ohl, Secretär I. Conferenz.
J. M. Anspach, englischer Secr. II. Conf.
L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secr. II. Conf.
J. N. S. Erb, Secretär III. Conferenz.
H. N. Fegley, Secretär IV. Conferenz.
S. S. Henry, Secretär V. Conferenz.

Nach Verlesung dieses Berichtes vertagte sich die Versammlung mit Gebet von Pastor G. D. Bernheim, D. D.

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Zwölfte Sitzung.

Mittwoch, den 3. Juni 1885, 7 Uhr Abends.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gebet von Pastor F. Walz eröffnet.

Das Protokoll wurde vom englischen Secretär verlesen und angenommen.

Der Bericht über die Conferenz-Verhandlungen wurde in Erwägung gezogen und über die darin enthaltenen Vorschlage beschlossen, wie folgt:

Der erste Vorschlag wurde angenommen.

Der zweite und dritte auf nächstes Jahr aufgehoben.

Der vierte an die Conferenzen zur Besprechung während des Jahres verwiesen und alsdann der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Beschlossen, daß die gewöhnliche Summe von $100 zur Vergrößerung der Seminar-Bibliothek verwilligt werde.

Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D. verlas den

Bericht des Delegaten an das New York Ministerium.

Ihr Delegat besuchte die letzte Versammlung des Ministeriums von New York ꝛc., die vom 19. bis 24. Juni 1884 in Poughkeepsie gehalten wurde. Zu dem Ministerium gehören jetzt 77 Pastoren. Von ihnen werden 70 Gemeinden im Verband des Ministeriums und 15 außerhalb dessen bedient. Die Zahl der Gemeindeschulen ist 37 mit 2,295 Schülern, die Zahl der Communicanten 22,238.

Der Geist brüderlicher Liebe und ein warmer Eifer für das Reich Gottes beseelte die Versammlung von Anfang bis zum Schluß. Unter den Gegenständen, mit denen das Ministerium sich besonders beschäftigte, heben wir die folgenden hervor:

1. Gewisse Grundsätze wurden festgestellt hinsichtlich einer geordneten Uebertragung von Gliedern deutscher lutherischen Gemeinden an englische Gemeinden.

2. Die Synode beschloß das Proseminar in Rochester nach Kräften zu unterstützen und eine beträchtliche Summe wurde während der Sitzung der Synode für diesen Zweck gesammelt.

3. Ihr Delegat hatte die Ehre, dem Ministerium das Gutachten der Facultät des theologischen Seminars in Philadelphia über die Gnadenwahl vorzulegen, welches mit großem Beifall aufgenommen wurde. Das Ministerium sprach seinen herzlichen Dank aus für dieses Gutachten und beschloß, es vollständig im Protokoll und als separates Pamphlet drucken zu lassen. Das Gutachten soll bei der Lehrbesprechung über die Gnadenwahl zu Grund gelegt werden, welche bei der nächsten Versammlung der Synode stattfinden soll.

4. Das Ministerium that energische Schritte, um seine deutsche theologische Professur zu fundiren. Etwa $6,000 sind zu diesem Zweck gesammelt. Ein Beschluß wurde passirt, worin ausdrücklich erklärt wird, „daß, obwohl gegenwärtig unsere Professur sich am theologischen Seminar in Philadelphia befindet, die Synode sich doch jederzeit das Recht vorbehält, wenn wichtige Gründe eine solche

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Aenderung rathsam erscheinen lassen, die Professur an eine andere Anstalt zu verlegen und die Interessen der collectirten Gelder in gleicher Weise wie vorher dafür zu verwenden."

Die nächste Versammlung des Ministeriums wird in der evang.-luth. St. Johannis-Kirche zu Buffalo am Donnerstag, den 11. Juni, Morgens 9 Uhr, eröffnet werden.

Achtungsvollst unterbreitet

A. Spaeth.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D. wieder als Delegat ernannt.

Auf Antrag von Pastor J. A. Seiß, D. D.

Beschlossen, daß die fernere Erwägung der diesem Körper zur Annahme vorgelegten revidirten Constitution bis zur nächsten Versammlung aufgeschoben und zur Tagesordnung für Freitag und Samstag Vormittag jener Versammlung bestimmt werde.

Pastor J. D. Schindel stattete folgenden Bericht ab:

Bericht der Committee über die Rechnung des Schatzmeisters.

Die Committee, welche ernannt wurde, den Bericht des Schatzmeisters zu prüfen, ist der ihr gewordenen Aufgabe nachgekommen. Die verschiedenen Fonds wurden einzeln geprüft, mit Belegen verglichen und in Richtigkeit befunden.

J. D. Schindel,
Enoch Smith,
E. Nidecker,
J. R. Groff,
Henry Lehman.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D. berichtete Folgendes über die Diakonissen-Sache:

Bericht der Committee über die Diakonissen-Sache.

Da durch Gottes Vorsehung durch die Einführung der Diakonissen im Deutschen Hospital zu Philadelphia und die dort erstrebte Gründung eines Diakonissen-Mutterhauses unsre lutherische Kirche und speziell Glieder unsres Ministeriums in direkte Verbindung mit dem Diakonissenwerk gebracht sind, und da der Erfolg dieses Werkes in hohem Grade davon abhängen wird, ob die Glieder unsrer Kirche das rechte Verständniß und die rechte Sympathie für diese hochwichtige Sache haben werden, so erlauben wir uns, dem ehrwürdigen Ministerium folgende Punkte zur Erwägung vorzulegen.

1. Der Diakonissendienst findet sich in der apostolischen Kirche neben dem Dienst der männlichen Diakonen als ein ordentliches Amt im Organismus der Gemeinde, unterschieden von der privaten Liebesthätigkeit christlicher Frauen. Röm. XII, 1. 2. 12. 13.

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2. Auch in den ersten Jahrhunderten der nachapostolischen Kirche finden wir die Diakonissen regelmäßig eingegliedert in den Organismus der Kirche und vom Bischof geweiht zu ihrem besonderen Amte. Sie assistiren bei der Taufe von weiblichen Katechumenen, sie sind Thürhüterinnen an den für Frauen bestimmten Eingängen der Kirche, sie dienen bei den Liebesmahlen der Gemeinde, sie besuchen die Armen, pflegen die Kranken und vermitteln den Verkehr zwischen dem Bischof und den weiblichen Gemeindegliedern.

3. Seit dem vierten Jahrhundert, mit dem Uebergang von der Märtyrerkirche zur Staatskirche, zerfällt der Diakonissendienst. Die Nonne und das Kloster tritt an die Stelle des früheren echt evangelischen, apostolischen Diakonissenamtes; und so bleibt es in der Hauptsache durchs ganze Mittelalter hindurch.

4. Die Reformationszeit konnte unmöglich mit einem Sprung den Uebergang aus dem Nonnenkloster in das evangelische Diakonissenhaus vollziehen. Sie hatte vor Allem den Grund eines reinen, schriftgemäßen Glaubens wieder zu legen.

5. Die Erneuerung eines schriftgemäßen, evangelischen Diakonissendienstes geschah durch Pastor Fliedner im Jahre 1836 durch Gründung der ersten evangelischen Diakonissen-Anstalt zu Kaiserswerth am Rhein. Sein Ziel war „nach dem Sinn und Vorbild der apostolischen Kirche die christliche Liebespflege in unsern Gemeinden, so viel sie dem Weibe zukommt, durch Diakonissen ausüben zu lassen, und zwar allen Klassen von Hilfsbedürftigen, den Kranken, Armen, Kindern, Gefangenen, u. s. w. zu gut, und zu diesem Zweck wollte er evangelische Christinnen ausbilden und in Thätigkeit setzen."

Der Erfolg dieses Werks ist ein über alles Erwarten großartiger gewesen und heute stehen in Deutschland und auf den auswärtigen Stationen seiner Mutterhäuser mehr als 5,200 Diakonissen in der Arbeit und die jährlichen Einnahmen für dieses Werk belaufen sich auf mehr als $1,000,000.

6. Im Juni 1884 sind im Deutschen Hospital in Philadelphia sieben Diakonissen angekommen und haben die Krankenpflege und Hausverwaltung daselbst übernommen.

Seit kurzem hat der Verwaltungsrath eine Committee angestellt, zu der Dr. W. J. Mann, Dr. A. Spaeth, Pastor F. Wischan, Hr. J. C. File und andere gehören, um die weitere Entwicklung des Diakonissenwerks zu fördern und zu leiten. Eine Anzahl von Probeschwestern ist eingetreten und diese, sowie die andern Diakonissen, empfangen von mehreren unserer Pastoren regelmäßigen Unterricht. Die Grundlinien einer Diakonissen-Ordnung sind provisorisch angenommen und die obengenannte Committee ist beauftragt, die Diakonissen-Sache vor den Gemeinden, Conferenzen und Synoden der lutherischen Kirche zu vertreten und in diesen Kreisen das Interesse für das Mutterhaus zu wecken.

7. a. Die Diakonissin übernimmt nach apostolischer Ordnung den Beruf, dem Herrn an Seinen Geringsten zu dienen. Sie erhält für ihren Dienst keinen Lohn, wird aber vom Mutterhaus hinreichend versorgt und findet, wenn sie in der Ausübung ihres Berufs kränklich oder arbeitsunfähig geworden ist, Verpflegung und Unterhalt im Mutterhaus.

b. Als Probeschwestern sollen nur solche Jungfrauen oder kinderlose Wittwen sich anmelden, die von christlich-frommem Sinne, unbe-

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scholtenem Wandel und guter Gesundheit sind. Sie sollen nicht unter 16 und für gewöhnlich nicht über 40 Jahre alt sein.

c. Der Application um Aufnahme sollen folgende Documente beigeschlossen sein.
ein eigenhändig geschriebener kurzer Lebenslauf;
ein Zeugniß des Pastors;
ein ärztliches Gesundheits-Zeugniß;
eine schriftliche Einwilligung der Eltern oder Vormünder im Falle der Minderjährigkeit der Applicantin;
wo möglich ein Zeugniß aus der Familie, bei der eine Applicantin etwa beschäftigt gewesen sein mag.

d. Anmeldungen zur Aufnahme sind zu machen bei der Oberin oder bei Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D., 1615 Girard Ave., welche beide zusammen über die Aufnahme von Probeschwestern entscheiden sollen.

8. Obwohl die Diakonissin durch kein unevangelisches Gelübde gebunden ist, sondern jederzeit in einen andern Lebensberuf übergehen kann, so ist es doch im Interesse der Sache sehr zu wünschen, daß diejenigen, welcher sich nach reiflicher Ueberlegung zum Diakonissendienst bereit erklären, diesen Dienst als ihre ganze Lebensaufgabe ansehen und ergreifen.

9. Damit die Diakonissen-Sache in unsern Kreisen warme Theilnahme und Förderung erfahre, ist vor allem zu wünschen, daß unsere Pastoren sich so viel als möglich mit diesem Werk vertraut machen; daß unsre Conferenzen den Gegenstand zur Besprechung vornehmen; daß unsere Pastoren tüchtige Kräfte aus den confirmirten Jungfrauen oder den Wittwen ihrer Gemeinden für dieses Werk zu gewinnen suchen und daß zu diesem Zweck und überhaupt zur Förderung der Diakonissen-Sache Jungfrauen- oder Frauen-Vereine gegründet werden.

Die Committee,

A. Spaeth,
Jos. A. Seiß,
B. M. Schmucker,
John Born,
C. F. Kopitzsch.

Beschlossen, den Bericht anzunehmen, ihn mit den Verhandlungen zu drucken und den Conferenzen zur Erwägung während des Jahres vorzulegen.

Beschlossen, daß wir den Vortrag von Pastor A. Spaeth, D. D., über „Phöbe die Diakonissin" der Aufmerksamkeit der Kirche herzlich empfehlen.

Pastor J. W. Early wies auf eine im Jahr 1881 beschlossene Veränderung der Synodal-Constitution hin, wonach die Namen der Delegaten vor der Synodal-Versammlung an den Secretär zu senden sind. Die Secretäre werden beauftragt, den betreffenden Beschluß in Verbindung mit der Bekanntmachung der nächsten Synodal-Versammlung zu veröffentlichen.

Auf Antrag von Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D. wurde

Beschlossen, daß der Schatzmeister beauftragt sei, in seinem Jahresberichte eine Zusammenstellung aller von den Gemeinden während des Jahres für die verschiedenen wohlthätigen Zwecke empfangenen Gelder, nebst allen Einkünften von Vermächtnissen, Zinsen ꝛc. vorzulegen, — separat von allen Resten des vorhergehen-

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den Jahres und allen Uebertragungen aus andern Fonds. Desgleichen soll solche Zusammenstellung auch die Ausgaben für dieselben Zwecke enthalten.

Pastor J. W. Haßler legte eine Biographie des verstorbenen Pastor S. Yingling vor, welche auf Antrag von Ehrw. Prof. C. W. Schaeffer D. D. im Archiv der Synode aufbewahrt werden soll.

Pastor E. E. Sibole verlas folgenden

Jahres-Bericht der englischen Stadt-Missions-Committee von Philadelphia.*)

Die unter der Aufsicht Ihrer Committee stehenden Missionen sind folgende:

Christus-Kirche, Chesnut Hill, Pastor C. J. Hirzel.—Communicantenzahl 107; Zunahme während des Jahres 10; Verlust 4. Durchschnittlich wohnten 68 Personen dem Gottesdienste bei. Sonntagschüler 100, eine Zunahme von 20. Durchschnittszahl der Schüler 70. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $10,000. Die Kirchenschuld beträgt $1500, wovon $1000 in so fern gedeckt sind, als die Gemeinde sich verpflichtet hat, monatlich die Summe von $10.00 für Zinsen und Abtragszahlung daran zu bezahlen.

St. Petrus-Kirche, Reed Str., zwischen 9. Str., Pastor E. R. Cassaday. — Communicantenzahl 162; Zunahme während des Jahres 98. Verlust 10. Durchschnittlich wohnten dem Gottesdienst 125 Personen bei. Sonntagschüler 300, also eine Zunahme von 45. Durchschnittlich waren 150 gegenwärtig. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $8,000. Die Kirchenschuld beträgt $1,800. Abnahme der Schuld $1,000. Die Committee verwilligte $300.00 per Jahr.

St. Paulus-Kirche, 22. Str., oberhalb Columbia Ave., Pastor R. M. Zimmermann. — Communicantenzahl 187. Zunahme 68. Verlust 6. Im Durchschnitt wohnten 175 Personen dem Gottesdienste bei. Sonntagschüler 250, also eine Zunahme von 18. Durchschnittlich besuchten 200 Schüler die Schule. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $12,000. Kirchenschuld $6,600. Die jährliche Verwilligung der Committee betrug $300.

Epiphanien-Kirche, Camden, N. J. Pastor C. K. Binder.—Communicantenzahl 92. Zunahme 37. Verlust 7. Sonntagschüler 114. Durchschnittlich wohnten 65 Personen dem Gottesdienst und 100 Schüler der Sonntagschule bei. Die Kirchenschuld beläuft sich auf $1,500 und besteht in einer Hypotheke auf dem Kirchenbauplatz, Ecke der 7. und Market Str., welcher Bauplatz einen Werth von $6,500 hat. Die Committee verwilligte $300 per Jahr.

Advent-Kirche, 5. und Cumberland Str., Pastor J. F. C. Fluck. — Communicantenzahl 239. Aufgenommen wurden 41 Personen. Verlust 4. Sonntagschüler 293, mit einer Zunahme von 24. Durchschnittlich besuchten

*) Mit Einschluß der Monate April und Mai 1884.

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150 Personen den Gottesdienst und 200 Schüler die Sonntagschule. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $12,000. Kirchenschuld $7,000. Die Verwilligung der Committee betrug $300.

Während des laufenden Jahres hat Ihre Committee die Gründung einer neuen Mission ungefähr innerhalb des früheren Kensington-Distrikts berathen, konnte aber so weit zu keinem Schluß kommen.

Die schon länger bestehenden Missionsstellen wurden ersucht, sich ernstlich zu bemühen, ihre Kirchenschulden abzutragen.

Die Epiphanien-Gemeinde in Camden wird in nächster Zeit eine Kirche bauen und hat deshalb die Aussicht, in bequemeren Räumlichkeiten sich zu versammeln, als dies bisher geschehen konnte.

Ihre Committee möchte schließlich noch bemerken, daß sie im verflossenen Jahr mehr als gewöhnliche Aufsicht über die ihr anvertrauten Missionsstellen geführt hat.

E. E. Sibole, Secretär der Committee.

Dieser Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor L. Groh legte folgenden Bericht vor.

Bericht der Committee über Parochial-Berichte.

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll, daß es ihr trotz aller Mühe nicht gelungen ist, von allen Pastoren Berichte zu erlangen. Von denen, welche eingereicht wurden, sind viele sehr mangelhaft und bei einigen fehlt sogar die Namensunterschrift. Um unsere statistischen Tafeln so vollständig als möglich zu machen, möchte ihre Committee empfehlen, daß jeder Pastor ernstlich ersucht werde, in den ersten Sitzungen der Synode einen vollständigen Bericht mit Namensunterschrift einzureichen.

Die Committee.

Angenommen.

Auf Antrag von Pastor J. Fry, D. D.

Beschlossen, daß die Secretäre der Synode an diejenigen Pastoren, welche ihre Parochial-Berichte entweder gar nicht oder in unvollständigem Zustande eingereicht haben, schreiben, sie ersuchen, ihrer Pflicht nachzukommen, und, im Falle dies nicht geschieht, deren Namen an die Synode berichten.

Pastor J. W. Early berichtete über Entschuldigungen wie folgt:

Bericht der Entschuldigungs-Committee.

Die Committee über Entschuldigungen erlaubt sich achtungsvoll folgendes zu berichten:

Folgende Pastoren sandten schriftliche Entschuldigungen ein: D. M. Martens, H. J. Schmidt, D. D., E. Greenwald, D. D., A. J. Weddell, F. Wischan, W. Rieb, W. A. Baetes, F. T. Hennicke, F. C. C. Kähler, J. M.

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Hantz, Prof. A. Martin, D. E. Reed, J. G. Abele, J. W. Rumple, T. Steck, P. F. Zizelmann.

Die Committee berichtet, daß ihr die angegebenen Gründe für Abwesenheit zufriedenstellend sind und sie empfiehlt deshalb, daß obengenannte Pastoren, wie auch unsere Missionare in Indien: F. S. Dietrich, T. Joseph, F. J. C. McCready, N. Paulus, J. K. Poulsen und H. C. Schmidt für Abwesenheit von der diesjährigen Synode entschuldigt werden.

Eine Anzahl Pastoren und Laien-Delegaten wurden während der Sitzungen auf genügende Gründe hin beurlaubt.

Ihre Committee möchte Sie aber darauf aufmerksam machen, daß andere Glieder des Ministeriums die Synode mehrere Tage vor dem Beschluß derselben und wieder andere während ihren Sitzungen ohne Entschuldigung verließen.

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Auf Antrag von Pastor B. W. Schmauk

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident dieses Körpers einige Wochen vor der nächsten Versammlung ein Rundschreiben an die Pastoren und Gemeinden ergehen lassen und auf die Nothwendigkeit aufmerksam machen soll, daß alle Pastoren und Delegaten vom Anfang bis zum Ende der Synode anwesend seien.

Beschlossen, daß die Committee über Frauen-Arbeit in der Kirche fortbestehen soll.

An Stelle des aus unserer Synode weggezogenen Pastor F. A. Kähler wurde Pastor E. Smith als Vorsitzer ernannt und bildet mit den Pastoren Z. H. Gabel und J. R. Groff die Committee über Frauen Arbeit in der Kirche.

Vom Ehrw. Präsidenten wurde die **Examinations-Committee** mit Ehrw. Prof. A. Martin als Vorsitzer wieder ernannt.

Ebenso die Committee über **Biographien entschlafener Brüder,** nämlich von der I. Conferenz die Pastoren: A. Spaeth, D. D., B. M. Schmucker, D. D., J. K. Plitt;

„ „ II. „ „ „ Prof. B. Sadtler, D. D., J. D. Schindel, P. Pfatteicher;

„ „ III. „ „ „ L. Groh, J. J. Kündig, M. C. Horine;

„ „ IV. „ „ „ J. W. Haßler, E. Greenwald, D. D., J. A. Darmstätter;

„ „ V. „ „ „ J. F. Wampole, J. R. Groff, J. W. Early.

Beschlossen, daß die Secretäre die übliche Anzahl Exemplare der Synodal-Verhandlungen in englischer und deutscher Sprache drucken lassen sollen.

Beschlossen, unsere Conferenzen nochmals auf einen vor einigen Jahren gefaßten Beschluß aufmerksam zu machen, wonach jeder Gemeinde empfohlen wird, einen Unterstützungs-Verein zu gründen und zu unterhalten.

Beschlossen, den lieben Pastoren und Gliedern der St. Johannis-, St. Michaelis- und St. Petri-Gemeinden und Allen, die uns so gastfreundlich aufgenommen haben, unsern herzlichen Dank auszusprechen. Ebenso wird dem Chor der St. Johannis-Gemeinde für seinen herrlichen Gesang, den Berichterstattern für ihre Berichte und den Eisenbahngesellschaften für Ermäßigung der Fahrpreise freundlichst gedankt.

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Nachdem das Protocoll dieser zwölften und letzten Sitzung verlesen und angenommen war, vertagte sich die Synode um ¼10 Uhr und wurde nach üblicher liturgischer Ordnung und mit dem Gesang des Liedes: „Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott" beschlossen.

F. P. Mayser,
deutscher Secretär.

Allentown, Pa., den 3. Juni 1885.

Synodal-Gottesdienste.

Donnerstag Vormittag: Eröffnungspredigt von Pastor G. F. Krotel, D. D. Präsident des Ministeriums, nebst Abendmahlsfeier.

Donnerstag Abend: Einheimische Mission. Redner: Die Pastoren S. Laird und F. P. Mayser.

Freitag Abend: Erziehungssache. Redner: Die Pastoren G. A. Strunz und J. N. S. Erb.

Montag Abend: Heidenmission. Redner: Die Pastoren Prof. A. Spaeth, D. D. und S. E. Ochsenford.

Dienstag Abend: Ordination. Die Predigt wurde von Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D. gehalten und die Ordinationshandlung von dem Präsident und den Sekretären der Synode vollzogen. (Die Namen der 20 Candidaten siehe Seite 11 und 85.)

Sonntags-Gottesdienste.

In der St. Johannis-Kirche, der St. Michaelis-Kirche und der St. Peters-Kirche zu Allentown predigten verschiedene Glieder des Ministeriums und andere hielten Ansprachen in den Sonntagschulen.

Unvollendete Geschäfte.

1. Freibrief für Gemeinden. Siehe Seite 54.
2. Gedächtnißfeier des verewigten Dr. H. M. Mühlenberg. Siehe Seite 54 und 57.
3. Biographie des verewigten Missionars H. G. B. Artman. Siehe Seite 62.
4. Katechismus-Erklärung — Dr. Mann und Krotel'sche. Siehe S. 69.
5. Vertheilung der Synodalarbeit. Siehe Seite 76 und 77.
6. Abschluß der Parochial-Berichte. Siehe Seite 76 und 77.
7. Die revidirte Constitution für das Ministerium. Siehe Seite 78.
8. Frauenarbeit in der Kirche. Siehe Seite 83.

Angelegenheiten, welche an die Conferenzen verwiesen wurden.

1. Vertheilung großer Pfarrdistricte. Siehe Seite 76 und 77.
2. „College Tag." Siehe Seite 76 und 77.
3. Diakonissen-Sache. Siehe Seite 80.
4. Unterstützungs-Vereine. Siehe Seite 83.

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2. Ministerial-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

St. Johannis-Kirche, Allentown, Pa.,

Freitag, den 29. Mai 1885, 4½ Uhr Nachmittags.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gebet vom Ehrw. Prof. H. E. Jacobs D.D. eröffnet.

Die Examinations-Committee stattete durch ihren Secretär, Pastor G. F. Spieker, folgenden Bericht ab:

Bericht der Examinations-Committee.

Ihre Committee hat, den Anforderungen der Constitution gemäß, mit folgenden Predigern ein Colloquium gehalten:

Ehrw. J. R. Shoffner von der Susquehanna-Synode;
Ehrw. W. C. L. Lauer von dem New York Ministerium;
Ehrw. A. W. Walter von der Indiana-Synode;
Ehrw. C. S. Kohler von dem New York Ministerium.

Es wurde beschlossen, dieselben zur Aufnahme in's Ministerium zu empfehlen.

Die Committee legt auch die Namen einer Anzahl Candidaten, welche vorschriftsmäßig in den verschiedenen Zweigen der theologischen Wissenschaft geprüft worden sind, dem Ministerium vor:

Oscar Douglas Bartholomew von Bethlehem, Pa.;
Lewis Jacob Bickel von Pottstown, Pa.;
Jacob Darmstätter von Columbia, Pa.;
William George Dreßler von East Hanover, Lebanon Co., Pa.;
Albert Reinhold Julius Graepp von Toledo, Ohio;
Andrew Jacob Heißler von Wilkesbarre, Pa.;
William George Hudson von Vizigapatam, Britisch-Indien;
Uriah James Klingensmith von Kittanning, Pa.;

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Jacob Wilson Lazarus von Allentown, Pa.;
Edwin Lune Miller von Kutztown, Pa.;
Joseph Hart Orr von Philadelphia, Pa.;
Alfred Ramsey von Mansfield, Pa.;
Robert Daniel Roeder von Reading, Pa.;
Charles Elwood Sandt von Allentown, Pa.;
Nathaniel Sheffer von Salem, Clarion Co., Pa.;
Edwin Harrison Small von Klinesville, Berks Co., Pa.;
Adolph Friedrich Walz von Sellersville, Bucks Co., Pa.;
Johann Armstrong Waters von Uniontown, Fayette Co., Pa.;
Isaak Keil Wismer von Philadelphia, Pa.;
Astor Clinton Wuchter von Jacksonville, Lehigh Co., Pa.

Es wurde beschlossen, obige Candidaten zur Ordination zu empfehlen.
Auch beschloß die Committee,

daß die Beschlußnahme über die Application des Ehrw. J. H. Meyer aufgeschoben werde, bis derselbe sein Entlassungsschreiben von der Canada-Synode an dieses Ministerium überreicht.

B. Sadtler, Vorsitzer. G. F. Spieker, Secretär der Committee.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung aufgenommen und sodann über die Aufnahme jedes Applicanten einzeln abgestimmt.

Die zur Aufnahme empfohlenen Pastoren aus andern Synoden wurden durch einstimmigen Beschluß in das Ministerium aufgenommen.

Desgleichen auch die von der Committee empfohlenen Predigtamtscandidaten und beschlossen, daß sie alle am folgenden Dienstag Abend durch die Beamten der Synode ordinirt werden sollen.

Die Empfehlung der Committee in Bezug auf Pastor J. H. Meyer wurde angenommen.

Die Versammlung vertagte sich, um wieder zusammenzutreten, wenn der Präsident eine Versammlung anzeigt.

Zweite Sitzung.

Dienstag Vormittag, den 2. Juni 1885, 11½ Uhr.

Der Ehrw. Präsident berief die Versammlung zur Ordnung, worauf der Secretär der Examinations-Committee einen bei einer Extra-Sitzung der Committee gefaßten Beschluß verlas, in welchem die Angelegenheit von Pastor J. H. Meyer an das Ministerium verwiesen wird.

Ein Brief von Pastor F. Veit, Präsident der Canada-Synode, wurde verlesen und nach einiger Berathung auf Vorschlag von Ehrw. Prof. B. Stadtler, D. D.

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Beschlossen, daß Pastor J. H. Meyer in unser Ministerium aufgenommen werde, sobald er ein ehrenvolles Entlassungszeugniß von der Canada-Synode an unser Ministerium dem Präsidenten einhändige.

Vertagt.

F. P. Mayser,
deutscher Secretär.

Allentown, Pa., den 2. Juni 1885.

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Tabelle No. 1.

Parochial-Berichte für das am Donnerstag vor Trinitatis 1885 endigende Jahr.

Pastoren.	Jahr des Amtsantritts.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
		Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. H. S. Miller	1823																			
" A. Jäger	1827	4	1526	1177	47			54		21					4					
" A. Röller	1829																			
" H. J. Schmidt, D. D.	1829																			
" E. Greenwald, D. D.	1831	1	885	707	37	2		60	4	5	12				1	57	490			
" C. F. Welden	1833																			
" C. W. Schaeffer, D. D.	1835																			
" C. L. Erle	1840																			
" W. G. Laitzle	1841																			
" E. A. Bauer	1841	1	600	550	63			166		17	30				1	45	450			
" J. A. Seiß, D. D.	1842	1	287	210	7	3	2	7	2	1	5				1	27	127			
" W. J. Mann, D. D.	1842																			
" W. Weaver	1843																			
" A. J. Weddell	1843	1	436	363	20	17		18	7	11	4				1	40	401			
" J. C. Schmidt	1844																			
" W. S. Emery	1844																			
" J. Kohler	1844	1		186	15	8	3	11		3	3				1	12	75			
" B. Sadtler, D. D.	1844																			

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Ehrw.	J. G. Adele	1846	1	146	105	6			17		4					1	10	90			
„	W. Gerhard, D. D.	1847																			
„	B. M. Schmucker, D. D.	1847	1	364	270	16	5	2	9	3	4	4				1	40	230			
„	G. F. Krotel, D. D.	1848	1			17	7	1	29	1	3	2				1	39	290			
„	T. T. Jäger	1848	5	975	950	91			136	2	71								6		460
„	F. Walz	1848	3	1025	950	62	5	2	56	10	18										
„	H. Weickfel	1848	7	725	547	41			78		16	19							7	48	476
„	Conrad Kühn	1849	1	600	522	29	14		98	2	10	1		1	35	1	20	180			
„	D. M. Henkel, D. D.	1849																			
„	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.	1849	1	192	141	27	14	3	32	6	3	1				1	36	225			
„	J. K. Plitt	1850																			
„	G. A. Hinterleitner	1851	1	450	401	35	19	2	69		21	11				1	32	300			
„	Thomas Steck	1851																			
„	P. F. Zizelman	1851	1	440	400	29	11		109		10	4				1	24	350			
„	W. Rath	1852	5	1500	1163	50			53		52					1					
„	G. F. Gardner	1853	1	230	225	20	8		55	2	2	31				1	29	235			
„	B. W. Schmauk	1853	2	1075	641	81	66	1	120	14	12					2	80	894			
„	J. Fry, D. D.	1853	1	1100	834	66	24	5	62	7	18	16				3	103	1100			
„	J. W. Haßler	1854	1	249	192	13	1		19	3	13	5				1	20	175			
„	F. A. Mühlenberg, D. D.	1854																			
„	R. Hill	1854	1	450	340	10	5	1	15		7	6				1	35	325			
„	F. Berkemeyer	1855	2	390	353	23	3		8	7	10	4							2		
„	D. M. Martens	1855																			
„	H. Grahn	1856	1	600	591	46		12	196		11			2	103	1	40	370			
„	J. F. Wampole	1856	6	1000	845	95	5		56	5	12	5							8	75	800
„	J. J. F. Schantz	1857	2	525	425	13			17	2	15					2	30	250			
„	J. F. Bayer	1858	5	525	475				35		12					2	25	150			
„	D. Kuntz	1858	3	953	751	57	8		21		10	6							5	54	450
„	B. E. Kramlich	1858	5	1300	1080	93			73		37					1	12	101	6	70	600
„	B. H. Hunt	1858																			
„	F. T. Hennicke	1858																			
„	A. A. Darmstätter	1859	2	270	262	7	2		21		8	10				2	16	140			
„	D. Leopold	1859	5	675	600	28			45		27					2	35	300	5	45	400
„	D. Sanner	1859	4	540	470	26	4		64	2	18	15				1	24	170	2	25	160
„	B. D. Zweizig	1859	8	1900	1750	140			252		48										
„	A. Finfrock	1859	5	1367	1035	51	3		85	1	35	14							4	70	500

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Pastoren.	Jahr des Amtsantritts.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
		Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. A. R. Horne, D. D.	1859	3	389	278	27	6	.....	22	3	5	8	.....	.....	.....	1	11	92	1	10	105
" J. H. Voß	1859	3	522	358	10	.....	.....	36	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	24	172	.....	.....	.....
" J. W. Early	1860	3	368	285	5	.....	.....	24	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	110	1	6	40
" J. H. Fritz	1860	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" J. J. Kündig	1860	1	1200	1100	80	.....	.....	138	.....	30	.....	.....	3	150	2	.....	800	.....	.....	.....
" P. Pfatteicher	1860	1	450	400	17	10	.....	75	.....	24	4	.....	.....	.....	1	30	500	.....	.....	.....
" J. B. Rath	1860	1	253	200	12	16	1	12	.....	3	.....	2	.....	.....	1	28	200	.....	.....	.....
" G. A. Strunz	1860	3	376	304	18	4	11	48	.....	5	10	2	.....	.....	2	20	190	.....	.....	.....
" H. H. Bruning	1860	1	213	178	9	.....	12	26	1	3	20	.....	.....	.....	1	23	160	.....	.....	.....
" A. Martin	1860	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Enoch Smith	1860	1	600	500	28	12	.....	33	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	45	450	.....	.....	.....
" A. Späth, D. D.	1861	1	450	450	54	.....	.....	80	3	.....	.....	.....	2	130	.....	61	720	.....	.....	.....
" G. Laird	1861	1	600	.....	20	7	.....	15	6	8	13	.....	.....	.....	1	54	390	.....	.....	.....
" J. H. Schmidt	1861	4	170	170	8	8	4	58	.....	.....	5	30	.....	.....	2	14	145	.....	.....	.....
" A. Heilig	1861	2	230	188	29	.....	2	10	5	1	4	.....	.....	.....	2	18	140	1	7	50
" G. A. Brügel	1861	4	750	580	65	7	.....	31	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	95	11	50	500
" J. R. Groff	1861	4	465	395	20	.....	6	12	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	40	350	1	6	50
" A. M. Strauß	1861	6	747	600	27	.....	.....	92	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	16	125	4	.....	.....
" B. F. Apple	1862	1	160	154	13	6	.....	40	2	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	26	160	.....	.....	.....
" W. B. Fox	1862	4	1050	925	75	5	3	74	5	19	10	.....	.....	.....	1	25	160	5	.....	.....
" J. G. Pfuhl	1862	1	425	395	37	14	.....	55	.....	15	28	.....	.....	.....	1	30	300	.....	.....	.....
" J. R. Anspach	1862	1	332	260	25	6	4	20	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	33	320	.....	.....	.....
" L. Groh (1)	1863	2	1310	1000	102	16	.....	85	.....	20	25	.....	.....	.....	2	50	490	9	80	600
" G. F. W. Günsch	1863	1	300	300	15	.....	.....	30	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	30	150	.....	.....	.....

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Ehrw.	J. S. Reuninger	1863	5	1530	1400	71			130										16	223	1700
"	H. Gieß	1863	4	597	530	21	7		70	4	16					1	18	100	4	42	320
"	M. Schimpf	1863	1	115	85	3			19	1						1	12	90			
"	M. C. Horine	1863	1	550	380	39	8	1	40	1	15	2				1	44	500			
"	W. Rieb	1864	1	600	539	50	2	18	125		19	4		2	100	1	25	350			
"	S. A. K. Francis	1864	1	390	275	12	3		92	3	5	5				1	23	375			
"	M. H. Richards	1864																			
"	M. B. Lenker	1865	3	351	260	28	6	1	80	1	4					1	18	85			
"	J. C. Dizinger	1865	1	400	330	20			62	1	33			2	60	1	30	300			
"	G. W. Frederick	1866																			
"	W. O. Cornman	1866																			
"	J. Gruhler	1866	1	230	144	16	13		50		5	6				1	22	130			
"	H. E. Jacobs, D. D	1866																			
"	J. R. Shoffner	1866	1	137	93	10	9	2	23	1		2				1	31	275			
"	J. J. Greßman	1867	2	650	590	47	12	2	39		14	8							2	45	400
"	J. Hillpot	1867	5	704	536	11			46	1	14	3				2	26	230	3		
"	D. K. Humbert	1867	6	1732	1650	67			166		32	35							6	75	1050
"	J. D. Schindel	1867	2	850	600	41	30	8	94	2	20	20				2	44	650	1	16	200
"	C. L. Seip	1867																			
"	G. F. Spieker	1867	1	701		25	35	2	26		10	3				1	45	620			
"	J. Zentner	1868	1	790	700	40			75		23	5		1	50	3	32	500			
"	F. W. Weiskotten	1868	1		1000	99	33	3	172	8	11	3		2	90	2	90	1045			
"	E. L. Reed	1868	1	225	162	21	6	2	28	4	5					1	26	300			
"	G. S. Henry	1868	3	210	155	13			23		3								3	25	150
"	D. D. Trexler	1868	4	500	450	32			63		5								5	50	350
"	J. H. Gable	1868	6	1200	1000	90			150	10	17	3				2	35	300	5	37	450
"	R. Gerlach	1868	1	200	130		4		18		13			3	25	1	20	140			
"	J. M. Hantz	1868																			
"	F. P. Mayser	1868	1	1070	640	35	45		64		18			2	40	1	56	350			
"	B. Pick (2)	1868	1	900	700	40			150					1	100	1	25	375			
"	H. S. Fegley	1869	5	800	580	31			49		12								6	53	375
"	F. K. Huntzinger	1869	3	900	825	108			168		23					1		500	4		
"	P. Isenschmidt	1869	1	200	190	17			39		6					1	24	200			
"	C. Koerner	1869																			
"	W. A. Schaeffer	1869	1	131	104	9	14	2	4		1	3				1	15	145			
"	H. C. Schmidt (Missionar)	1869																			

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Ehrw. Aug. Linß	1869	1	145	130	5			45		5	2				1	12	125			
„ D. E. Reed	1869	1	170	130	20			10		1					1	19	140			
„ C. J. Cooper	1870	2	600	387	27	40		48	2	8					2	54	431	1	19	76
„ D. K. Kepner	1870	1	1175	1054	61	58		121	6	29	12				1	54	803	3	30	200
„ W. H. Strauß	1870	5	1600	900	59			52		23	3				1	17	91			
„ F. C. C. Kähler	1870																			
„ J. W. Bieber	1871	2	1025	845	50	10		38		20	15							5	65	600
„ F. F. Buermeyer	1871																			
„ G. D. Foust	1871	1	170	130		2		5		3	6				1	14	130			
„ J. K. Poulsen (Missionar	1871																			
„ W. H. Rickert	1871	1	180	120	18	3		31	2	1	20				1	16	155			
„ F. Wischan	1871	1	400	700	61			130	2	42	5		4	220	1	140	750			
„ H. N. Fegley	1872	2	299	258	6	4		6	4	4	4	1			2	28	310			
„ D. H. Geissinger	1872	1	655	600	32	5	9	39		12	6				2	80	700			
„ J. Reff	1872	2	275	232	5	1	2	20	1	9	4				2	30	285			
„ J. N. S. Erb	1873	6	650	500	40	6		72	2	13					1	25	200			
„ M. J. Kramlich	1873																			
„ W. H. Kuntz	1873	3	640	530	12			66		12								6	60	600
„ J. J. Kuntz	1873	5	690	481	47	2		81	3	12								4	20	200
„ J. W. Rumple	1873																			
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß	1873	2	615	474	33	22	5	23		10	20				1	30	175	3		
„ E. E. Sibole	1873	1	390	250	14	5	1	9	3	8	5				1	44	244			
„ W. C. L. Lauer	1873	1	85	55				9		1					1	24	120			
„ A. J. Long	1874	5	1000	925	53	8		72	2	35								5	40	500

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Ehrw.	J. H. Neiman	1874	3	619	500	38	6	4	67		15	4				3	30	225			
"	J. F. Ohl	1874	3	830	650	41	16	1	35	7	7	4				1	28	248	1	12	75
"	D. P. Smith	1874	3	920	835	42	8	3	40	22	12	2				2	18	400	1	20	200
"	B. S. Small	1874	4	850	775	91			63	1	8								10		
"	D. M. Stetler	1874	6	550	500	28	1		79	1	6	9				1	11	66	3	27	380
"	H. B. Strobach (2)	1874	1	600	535	37			70		51			2	70	2	60	1200			
"	C. S. Kohler	1874	1	47	47				2		4					1	24	165			
"	F. P. Bender	1875	1	840	670	95	5		244		6	6		1	70	1	65	800			
"	D. L. Coleman	1875	1	145	135	11	4	2	74			1				1	16	105			
"	H. T. Duensing	1875	1	400	300	16			28		8					1	25	225			
"	C. Elvin Houpt	1875	1	321	232	32	4		123	16	10	8		2	18	1	37	390			
"	J. E. Nidecker	1875	1	700	700	60			165		51			3	90	1	76	1150			
"	E. S. Brownmiller	1875	4	600	540	40	1	3	26		6					2	17	230			
"	J. S. Erb	1876	4	625	570	36	6	1	40	2	8	5				3	30	366	2	10	150
"	C. J. Hirzel	1876	1	107	76	1		1	10	2	2					1	14	103			
"	W. H. Myers	1876	1	407	297	26	15	10	29	4	6	7				1	36	400			
"	A. P. Pflüger (3)	1876	2	765	520	28	6	2	38	1	8	8				2	25	200			
"	W. Wackernagel, D. D.	1876	2	250	220	8	1		26		4								3	30	300
"	W. J. Andres	1877	4	650	560			58	58		9					1	1	120	5	56	500
"	J. L. Becker	1877	3	1045	870	27	21	6	71	9	15	8									
"	A. E. Erdman	1877	4	500	425	55			35	2	9	1				1	14	89	3	30	375
"	L. Lindenstruth	1877	2	463	413	26	12		47		5	3				4	81	340			
"	M. O. Rath	1877	1	175	135	16	2		13	1	1					1	39	240			
"	L. Smith	1877	1	120	93	11	19		28	1	2	1				1	10	70			
"	J. O. Upp	1877	2	537	386	39	21	2	53	1	8	16				2	58	355			
"	J. P. German	1878	7	550	510	36	2		40		8	20				2	19	100	3	21	300
"	J. W. Mattern	1878	1	60	47		3		2		1	3				1	10	35			
"	G. A. Müller	1878	1	135	110	9	2		13	4	2	10	2			1	19	124			
"	E. H. Pohle	1878	1	110	132	17		32	54			4				1	21	155			
"	T. Joseph (Missionar)	1878																			
"	N. Paulus (Missionar)	1878																			
"	Wm. A. C. Müller	1878	2	518	392	58	29	1	27	2	14	25				2	49	212			
"	H. T. Clymer	1879	2	49	37	1	3		4		1	2				1	8	65	1	8	25
"	A. B. Markley	1879	3	270	217	4	3		15	2	4	2				2	22	165	1	12	120
"	S. E. Ochsenford	1879	2	612	337	30	1		22	2	6	4				1	25	187	1	14	102
"	E. R. Cassaday	1880	1	160	140	21	22	2	34		5	7				1	18	300			

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Parochial-Berichte für das am Donnerstag vor Trinitatis 1885 endigende Jahr.

Pastoren.	Jahr des Amtsantritts.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
		Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicantenzahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. J. F. E. Fluck	1880	1	239	221	20	28	.....	41	2	1	4	.....	.....	.....	1	30	295	.....	.....	.....
„ J. W. Gauker	1880	5	370	310	18	5	.....	17	2	8	4	.....	.....	.....	1	21	125	4	53	310
„ E. K. Drumheller	1880	2	400	332	43	11	.....	43	1	8	7	2	.....	.....	1	30	270	.....	.....	.....
„ E. H. Gerhart	1880	1	288	250	12	27	15	26	2	3	6	.....	.....	.....	1	22	175	.....	.....	.....
„ Wm. H. Geiger	1880	4	470	402	7	.....	.....	30	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....
„ Wm. J. Bieber	1881	3	525	400	22	2	1	30	1	9	3	.....	.....	.....	1	15	80	2	30	200
„ C. L. Fry (4)	1881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ U. P. Heilman	1881	3	760	670	50	.....	.....	39	5	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	60	500
„ D. H. Reiter	1881	4	925	800	.....	14	.....	52	.....	22	2	.....	.....	.....	1	10	102	2	40	350
„ H. E. Semmel	1881	3	350	300	12	.....	.....	14	5	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	175
„ J. L. Sibole	1881	1	443	425	53	29	2	12	4	3	5	.....	.....	.....	2	53	630	.....	.....	.....
„ E. M. Smith	1881	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ M. L. Zweizig	1881	1	91	70	.....	7	2	13	.....	1	3	.....	.....	.....	1	10	70	.....	.....	.....
„ J. P. Deck	1881	1	300	260	14	2	1	8	5	6	3	.....	.....	.....	1	30	250	.....	.....	.....
„ F. S. Dietrich (Missionar)	1882	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ J. H. Kuder	1882	1	349	314	.....	.....	.....	39	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	31	356	.....	.....	.....
„ G. S. Seaman	1882	1	220	161	19	1	1	20	4	6	6	.....	.....	.....	1	24	170	.....	.....	.....
„ W. M. Rehrig	1882	1	189	174	21	24	13	23	1	4	16	.....	.....	.....	1	26	160	.....	.....	.....
„ W. A. Baetes	1882	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ J. H. R. Wendel (5)	1883	2	234	220	8	42	.....	14	.....	3	23	.....	.....	.....	2	21	140	.....	.....	.....
„ C. K. Binder	1883	1	92	65	8	7	2	13	1	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	1	16	114	.....	.....	.....
„ F. K. Bernd	1883	2	665	468	8	.....	.....	33	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	140	2	.....	150
„ G. W. Sandt	1883	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ J. H. Umbenhen	1883	4	789	674	39	2	1	52	6	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	30	170	1	.....	125

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Tabelle No. 2.

Beiträge der Gemeinden im Synodal-Jahr 1884—1885.

„Auflage" für 1885 und 1886 ist die von der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit aufgestellte Summe für das letzte und das neue Synodaljahr.

„Gemeinde-Auslagen" — „für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt" bezeichnen alle regelmäßigen Ausgaben für den Gehalt des Pastors, Organisten, Lehrer, Chor, Kirchendiener u. dergl. — „Für besondere Zwecke", schließt Gelder in sich, die für Bau und Reparaturen von Kirchen und Pfarrhäusern und dergleichen und zur Abtragung von Kirchenschulden verausgabt wurden.

Unter „Synodal-Zwecken" schließt „Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit" alle Beiträge für Erziehung, Einheimische Mission unsrer Synode, Wittwen- und Waisen-Fond u. s. w.; — „Theologisches Seminar" alle Beiträge für den Baufond, für laufende Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Mühlenberg-Collegium" alle Beiträge für den Gehalt der Professoren; für allgemeine Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Waisenhaus" alle Beiträge in Geld oder an Werth der übersandten Gaben an das Waisenhaus in Germantown in sich.

Unter Beiträgen „für das General-Concil" begreift „Heiden-Mission" alle Gelder in sich, die für diesen Zweck; — „Einheimische Mission" — englisch und deutsch — alle Gaben und Unterstützungen, welche den beiden Missions-Committeen des General-Concils oder bedürftigen Gemeinden innerhalb desselben und außerhalb unserer eigenen Synode überreicht wurden.

Unter „sonstigen Zwecken" sind Beiträge für Wohlthätigkeits-Anstalten von einem allgemeinen Charakter, oder die außerhalb unserer Kirche gelegen sind, bezeichnet.

Pastoren.	Auflage für 85—86.	Auflage für 84—85.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 84—85.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das theologische Seminar.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das Waisenhaus.	Für das General-Concil. Für die Heidenmission.	Für das General-Concil. Englische Einheim. Mission.	Für das General-Concil. Deutsche Einheim. Mission.	Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Pastor J. Jaeger	$200	$200	$163 07											
„ E. Greenwald, D. D.	600	600	600 00	3131 18	1419 90	600 00	220 00	16 00	$133 99	410 00	250 00		200 00	$6381 07
„ E. A. Bauer	120	120	120 00	1100 00	387 69	100 00	100 00	15 00	13 73			$20 00		1736 42
„ J. A. Seiß D.D. L.L.D.			200 00	8763 28		200 00	50 00		100 00		77 29			9190 57
„ A. J. Weddell	250	250	250 00	1828 00	3485 00	263 00			1000 00					6646 33
„ J. Kohler	50	50	50 00			50 00					10 00		28 00	88 00

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Pastor	J. G. Abele	15	15			851	63	11	00	15	00									5	00			882	63
"	B. M. Schmucker DD. (1)	200	200	200	00	1730	00	430	00	200	00			90	00									2450	00
"	G. F. Krotel, D. D.	500	500	500	00	8000	00	1500	00	500	00	50	00					300	00			3	90	10740	00
"	F. Walz	200	200	154	00	1200	00	500	00	135	00			25	80					19	12			1879	92
"	T. T. Jäger	110	125	110	00			800	00	125	00	100	00	10	00									1035	00
"	H. Weickel	65	70	70	00	700	00	1300	00	70	00	5	00											2075	00
"	Conrad Kühn	75	75	50	00	1492	47	1075	00	50	00	16	00	6	00	6	00							2645	47
"	D. M. Henkel, D. D.									7	00													7	00
"	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.	25	25	20	00	1080	00	1740	00	20	00													2840	00
"	G. A. Hinterleitner	100	100	100	00	1500	00	500	00	110	00	25	00							90	00			2225	00
"	P. F. Zizelmann	75	75	34	00	1100	00			34	00									50	00	40	00	1224	00
"	W. Rath	300	300	202	00					202	00	20	00											222	00
"	G. F. Gardner	20	20	20	00	700	00	25	00	12	00	44	71			10	00							791	71
"	B. W. Schmauk	400	400	387	61	3758	80	188	64	145	61	1650	00	30	00	183	73	242	00	100	83	75	00	6473	81
"	J. Fry, D. D.	800	800	800	00	4000	00	3000	00	740	00	10	00			105	00	60	00	188	00			8653	00
"	J. W. Haßler	125	125	116	25	925	00	1100	00	86	00					40	51			30	25			2171	76
"	R. Hill	350	300	300	00	2600	00	300	00	300	00	1400	00	500	00	100	00							5200	00
"	F. Berkemeyer	125	200	130	08	725	00			130	08					70	00					32	00	957	08
"	H. Grahn	125	125	160	13	3049	53	1802	81	83	58	12	00			4	50	69	30			92	00	191	84	5351	06
"	J. F. Wampole	85	75	75	00	1000	00			75	00			6	00	5	00			5	00					1091	00
"	J. J. F. Schantz (2)	125	125	125	00	1000	00	350	00	125	00	50	00	25	00	8	00	20	00							1578	00
"	J. F. Bayer	60	60	50	00	1200	00			5	00			10	00	5	00	10	00	10	00	20	00			1260	00
"	D. Kuntz	175	190	170	00	1258	50	1475	00	160	00	75	00	11	00					2	00					2981	50
"	B. E. Kramlich	225	225	225	00	1731	00	5000	00	225	00			5	00	15	00									6966	00
"	F. T. Hennicke	25	25																							
"	J. A. Darmstätter	70	70	35	00	971	00	448	00	35	00					22	59					100	35			1576	94
"	D. Leopold	200	200	200	00	2150	00			50	00			23	93			100	00			50	00			2373	93
"	D. Sanner	50	75	25	50	900	00	200	00					5	00	15	00	6	00	2	50	12	00			1140	50
"	B. D. Zweizig (3)	200	200	110	00	2500	00	7000	00	100	00					*2	70	10	00							9612	70
"	A. Finfrock (4)	200	200	122	00	1500	00	1200	00	122	50															2822	50
"	A. R. Horne, D. D.	60	50	50	00	600	00			52	50															652	50
"	J. H. Voß					250	00	2	00			10	33													262	33
"	J. W. Early	40	40	40	00	600	00	200	00	40	00	58	40	11	69	14	33			9	25	9	25			942	92
"	J. J. Kündig	120	120	100	00	3663	13			100	00					200	37					650	00			4614	00
"	P. Pfatteicher	175	175	175	00	2400	00			174	00			25	00			22	30							2621	30
"	J. B. Rath	100	100	100	00	2000	00	200	00	100	00	18	00	50	00											2368	00

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Pastor G. A. Strunz	$ 30	$ 30	$ 30 00	$ 11 50	$ 30 00			$5 25	$ 11 31					$1180 00
„ H. H. Bruning	40	40	40 00	650 00	100 00	$41 66				$46 00	$17 52			808 22
„ Enoch Smith	150	150	150 00	1662 00		150 00	$27 00	45 62						1902 52
„ A. Spaeth, D. D.	300	300	249 86	4700 00	3200 00	126 00		50 00	200 00	100 00		310 00	200 00	8886 00
„ S. Laird	1000	1000	1000 00	4541 50	1851 05	1000⁰⁰	1210⁰⁰		461 25	210 00	480 05		1045⁰²	10798 87
„ J. H. Schmidt	15	15	10 00	400 00	50 00				5 00	5 00		$ 5 00	10 00	475 00
„ E. Heilig	25	25	25 00	675 00	150 00	25 00		6 00						856 00
„ G. A. Brügel	125	125	100 00	1400 00	200 00	75 00	100 00	35 00	20 00	11 18	15 00	25 00	20 00	1901 18
„ J. R. Groff	35	35	11 00	1700 00		29 47								1990 47
„ A. M. Strauß	100	100	106 00	1000 00	900 00	101 00		5 00						1101 00
„ B. F. Apple	30	30	30 00	700 00	600 00	32 35								1332 35
„ W. B. Fox	200	200	210 00	1350 00		210 00		5 00	27 00	4 00	18 00			1614 00
„ J. G. Pfuhl	50	50	50 00	1500 00	1100 00	45 00	30 00	15 00	15 00	5 00		52 00	550 00	3312 00
„ J. M. Anspach	150	150	130 00	25 00	1200 00	120 00	10 00	20 00	10 00		10 00		38 00	3408 24
„ L. Groh	325	325	470 00	2100 00	800 00	482 00			25 00				60 00	3467 00
„ J. S. Renninger	325	325	325 00	1450 00	2500 00	325 00		20 00					100 00	4395 00
„ H. Gieß	200	200	....	694 12		136 00			15 00		10 00	10 00		865 12
„ G. F. W. Guensch	50	50	58 35			58 35			11 00					69 35
„ M. Schimpf	25	25	25 00	679 00	75 00	24 70			33 50					812 20
„ M. C. Horine	200	200	150 00	1900 00	729 00	150 00	145 26							2924 26
„ W. Rieb	100	.....	....	1625 25	1200 14	20 00	150 00	25 00	15 00	80 00		48 25		3163 64
„ S. A. K. Francis	125	125	100 00	1800 00	1100 00	100 00			100 00		25 00			3125 00
„ M. V. Lenker	15	15	15 00	463 00	165 00	15 00								633 00
„ J. C. Dizinger	50	50	50 00	1500 00		60 00	*25 00	10 00	42 80			18 55		1648 35

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Ehrw.	J. Gruhler	25	25	26	28	614	92	861	78	20	28			5	00			12	00			1513	98
,,	J. J. Creßman	125	150	125	00																		
,,	J. R. Shoffner	20	20	20	00	965	26			20	00		1									985	26
,,	J. Hillpot	100	100	96	79	864	00	345	00	90	79	44	06									1350	35
,,	D. K. Humbert	300	300	200	00					200	00		25	00									
,,	J. D. Schindel	160	160	160	00	1800	00			150	00		20	00	12	00						1982	00
,,	G. F. Spieker	100	100	100	00	2026	94	953	00	96	00				43	00	20	32	19	00		3158	34
,,	J. Zentner	50	50	50	00																		
,,	F. W. Weiskotten	300	300	139	00	3369	30	1644	91	89	00				525	00	150	00			304	92	6083	13
,,	E. L. Reed	40	25	50	00	1100	00			50	00								15	00		1165	00
,,	G. S. Henry	25	35	9	25	600	00	75	00	9	25											684	25
,,	D. D. Trexler	65	80	65	00					60	00		5	00								65	00
,,	J. H. Gable	150	150	120	00																		
,,	F. P. Mayser	150	150	150	00	3200	00	1500	00	117	00		10	00	35	00	30	00			103	00	4995	00
,,	B. Pick																7	50			7	50	15	00
,,	R. Gerlach	25	25			826	50	300	00						6	25					8	55	15	00	1156	30
,,	A. Lieſz	5	5	5	00	900	00	300	00	5	00				110	00					6	75			1321	75
,,	H. S. Fegley	125	125	125	00	1200	00	1000	00	80	32		5	00			40	18							2325	50
,,	J. K. Huntzinger	100	100	50	00	2000	00	1400	00	50	00				25	00							20	00	3495	00
,,	P. Jsenſchmidt	75	75	75	00	1200	00			25	00	25	00	5	00	21	00	45	00			43	00			1364	00
,,	W. A. Schaeffer	25	25	25	00	1292	25	411	28	32	50	2	50	10	00	59	35	69	00	33	00					1909	80
,,	D. E. Reed	20	20			600	00			18	00															618	00
,,	C. J. Cooper	140	140	140	00	1500	00	150	00	108	00		33	95	7	30	63	08	1	50	9	70			1874	26
,,	D. K. Kepner	225	225	225	00	2704	41	7000	00	225	00	300	00												10129	41
,,	W. H. Strauß	125	125	125	00	3000	00			91	00		25	80			10	00							3026	80
,,	J. W. Bieber	200	200	250	00	1125	00	150	00	240	00	20	00	10	00										1545	00
,,	G. D. Foust	25	25	25	00	662	14	406	00	25	00														1093	14
,,	W. H. Rickert	20	20			1300	00	900	00	20	00				20	00			25	00					2265	00
,,	F. Wiſchan	500	500	490	00																					
,,	H. R. Fegley	150	150	152	69	1000	00	400	00	152	69		10	00	10	00	25	00	10	00			42	00	1649	69
,,	D. H. Geiſſinger	400	400	400	00	3479	68	1545	97	300	00				53	59	25	00							5404	24
,,	J. Neff (5)	50	50	37	85	1251	90	2453	02	37	35		5	00	15	48									3762	75
,,	J. R. S. Erb	130	130	170	00	1400	00	3000	00	110	00		20	00	5	00			20	00			20	00	4575	00
,,	W. H. Kuntz	80	80	80	00	1200	00	1500	00	80	00		5	00											2785	00
,,	J. J. Kuntz	115	115	115	00	900	00	1600	00	115	00		5	00											2620	00
,,	S. A. Ziegenfuß (6)	115	150	151	00	1500	00	1000	00	80	00		43	00	19	60	71	45	26	75					2740	80

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Pastor W. C. L. Lauer				1000 00		$15 00								$1015 00
„ E. E. Sibole	$500	$500	$700 00	3750 00		700 00	$50 00		$100 00	122 50	724 00		751 00	6197 50
„ A. J. Long	225	225	172 50	1500 00	5000 00	172 09								6672 09
„ H. H. Reiman	85	85	89 65	800 00	250 00	48 95		$5 00	13 30	36 70	5 00			1156 95
„ J. F. Ohl	100	100	91 41	1150 00		20 00		10 00		71 41				1251 41
„ O. P. Smith	175	175	175 00	2000 00		217 00		48 00						2265 00
„ B. G. Small	80	80	80 00			80 00	20 00					$4 00		104 00
„ D. M. Stetler	30	30	30 00	638 00	225 00	30 00	5 00	5 00	5 00					908 00
„ H. B. Strodach			102 00	4520 92		102 00						39 00	66 00	4727 92
„ C. S. Kohler	20	25	6 40	766 66		640 00								773 06
„ F. P. Bender	75	75	75 00	3171 82	972 83	110 00		25 00	267 33			50 00	151 50	4748 48
„ D. L. Coleman	25	25	20 00	600 00	500 00	20 00		5 00			5 00			1130 00
„ H. T. Duensing	25	25	25 00	800 00	250 00	25 00	5 00					5 50		
„ C. E. Houpt	75	75	25 00	1300 00	830 00	25 00	40 00		20 00				35 00	2250 00
„ J. E. Nidecker	700	700	750 00	11415 93	775 00	100 00	98 48	50 00	1300 00	550 00		125 00	342 42	14756 83
„ E. S. Brownmiller	60	50	66 00	916 00	1050 00	65 00		5 00						2036 00
„ J. G. Erb	125	125	125 00	1000 00	360 00	125 00		13 52	80 00		10 00			1588 52
„ C. J. Hirzel	25	25	25 00	823 77	223 12	25 00								1071 89
„ W. H. Myers	30	30	25 00	2300 00		25 00			50 00					2375 00
„ A. P. Pflueger	100	100	100 00	1000 00	900 00	49 25		10 00	16 00	45 75	5 00		10 00	2036 00
„ W. Wackernagel, D. D.	50	40	40 00		900 00	40 00						7 50		947 50
„ W. J. Andres	125	125	125 00	1100 00	200 00	125 00	35 00	34 68	4 14	12 00	12 00	12 00	3 00	1537 82
„ J. L. Becker	125	125	128 00	1250 00		128 00	1000 00	20 00	10 60					2408 60
„ A. E. Erdman	75	75		1100 00	800 00	45 00		5 00					27 00	1977 00

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Pastor	L. Lindenstruth (7)	50	50	50	00	957	81	758	14	50	00	109	00	10	00	9	00			34	70	40	00	1968	65
,,	M. D. Rath (8)	50	50	50	00	300	00			65	00							92	25	64	15			521	40
,,	L. Smith	25	25	25	00	565	51	165	51	25	00							10	00					600	51
,,	J. D. Upp	75	75	75	00	700	00	1850	00	55	69			15	00	25	00							2655	69
,,	J. P. German	70	70	65	00			1000	00	65	00			5	00									1700	00
,,	J. W. Mattern	25	25	25	00	850	00			25	00											25	00	900	00
,,	G. P. Müller	25	25	22	51	676	03	97	05	20	51					5	00			5	75			804	34
,,	E. H. Pohle	25	25	25	00	897	40	752	00	25	00					65	00	5	00	43	00	95	00	1882	40
,,	W. A. C. Müller	75	75	35	00	991	92	584	28	35	50			10	00	5	50	21	00	10	00	10	00	1668	20
,,	H. T. Clymer	15	15	15	00	487	22	260	00	15	00			8	62									770	84
,,	A. B. Markley	40	40	21	15	750	00	100	00	21	14	74	05			9	50			8	00			962	69
,,	S. E. Ochsenford	50	55	55	00	840	00	4500	00	55	00	17	50					9	00	5	00			5426	50
,,	E. R. Cassaday	15	15	15	00	527	97	1008	45	15	00					10	00	20	00	13	45			1594	87
,,	J. F. C. Fluck	25	25	25	00	1160	97	209	54	25	00					9	00					5	00	1409	51
,,	J. W. Gauker	40	40	36	77	827	50	575	00									21	77	15	00			1439	27
,,	C. K. Drumheller	30	30	15	00	808	00	1500	00	15	00			5	00	10	00							2338	00
,,	E. H. Gerhart	10	10	41	00	770	00	462	04			25	00	10	00	9	41	26	00	9	00	12	00	1323	45
,,	Wm. H. Geiger	55	55	55	00	625	00	140	00	55	00													820	00
,,	W. J. Bieber	150	125	125	00	850	00			160	00			5	00					6	00			1021	00
,,	C. L. Fry (9)																								
,,	U. P. Heilman	120	120	120	00	1000	00	25	00	120	00			10	00					5	00	5	00	1165	00
,,	D. H. Reiter	100	80	115	00	1500	00	150	00	115	00			10	00							31	15	1806	15
,,	H. E. Semmel	20	20	25	00	770	00							5	00			25	00					800	00
,,	J. L. Sibole	150	150			2700	00	4000	00							200	00							6900	00
,,	M. L. Zweizig (10)	15	15	15	00	759	91	1864	60	15	00					9	50	7	40					2656	41
,,	J. P. Deck	200	200	200	00	1775	00			200	00					65	00	60	00	120	00			2220	00
,,	J. H. Ruder	75	75	75	00	997	49	2118	21	20	00	25	00	20	00	19	00	50	00	15	00			3264	70
,,	G. S. Seaman	75	75	75	00	650	00	116	41	75	00			5	00	13	00	12	50	12	58	31	88	916	37
,,	W. M Rehrig	25	20	20	00	1327	16	817	00			5	00					5	00			10	00	2164	16
,,	F. K. Berndt (11)	125	125	125	00	885	57	126	00	106	75	25	00					11	00			22	00	1176	32
,,	C. K. Binder	20	20	20	00	941	00	4000	00	20	00													4961	00
,,	C. Horack	15								5	00													5	00
,,	J. W. Klingler	130	130	130	00	1025	47	1813	21	130	00									74	50			3043	18
,,	T. E. Schmauck (12)																								
,,	S. B. Stupp	20	15	15	00	1000	00	885	00	10	00							5	00					1900	00
,,	J. H. Umbenhen (13)	100	100	90	00	1000	00	2500	00	90	00					17	66					7	25	3614	91

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Beiträge der Gemeinden im Jahre 1884—85.

Pastoren.	Auflage für 85—86.	Auflage für 84—85.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 84—85.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das theologische Seminar	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das Waisenhaus.	Für das General-Concil. Für die Heidenmission.	Für das General-Concil. Englische Einheim. Mission.	Für das General-Concil. Deutsche Einheim. Mission	Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
„ A. G. Voigt	$ 25	$ 25	$ 20 00	$340 41	$185 00	$20 00				$ 4 89		$15 20		$ 562 50
„ J. H. R. Wendel	30	30	30 00	1346 38	209 07	30 00	154 25		$ 2 00	6 33		76 28	$ 5 00	1829 31
„ A. M. Ruder (14)														
„ J. M. Mayne	60	60	66 50	700 00	325 00	66 50					$15 00	5 00		1111 50
„ O. D. Miller	50	50	175 00		17 92									192 92
„ G. Wenrich				800 00	5 00		66 00			6 00	6 22			883 22
„ P. P. Wisser	10	10			210 63				3 76		10 50		6 00	230 89
„ A. M. Zimmermann	25	25	25 00											
Jonestown Pfarrstelle	100	100	15 86											
Danville-Bezirk (deutsch)	25	25	22 00											
Wilkesbarre-Gemeinde (engl)				700 00		15 00			12 00					727 00

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Anmerkungen zu den Tabellen.

Tabelle No. 1.

(1) Bedient temporär auch die Hubers-Gemeinde, die nicht in Verbindung mit der Synode steht und 250 Glieder hat, von denen 210 das Abendmahl genossen. Die Sonntagschule hat 175 Schüler. Beitrag $69.00.

(2) Die Gemeinde ist nicht in Verbindung mit der Synode.

(3) Konfirmierte 12, taufte 2 Erwachsene und beerdigte 3 Glieder in White Deer-Gemeinde.

(4) Hilfspastor von Dr. E. Greenwald an der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Lancaster.

(5) Bediente eine Missionsstation in Chester, konfirmirte Glieder 52, zum Abendmahl gingen 20; 6 Beamte und Lehrer und 45 Schüler in der Sonntagschule.

(6) Hilfspastor von Pastor B. W. Schmauk in Lebanon und Annville, Pa.

(7) Lehrt eine Parochial-Schule.

(8) Sechs Missionsstationen unter den Slaven.

(9) Hilfspastor von Pastor J. J. Kündig in Reading, Pa.

Tabelle No. 2.

(1) Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit schließt $50.00 für Heidenmission in sich.

(2) $50.00 für das theologische Seminar ist persönlicher Beitrag des Pastors. Von $125.00 für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit wurden $31.79 von der Sonntagschule der Friedens-Gemeinde in Myerstown für Heidenmission beigetragen.

(3) $2.70 für das Waisenhaus von der Sonntagschule der Sinking Spring-Gemeinde.

(4) Beitrag der Zions-Gemeinde in Womelsdorf, $32.97; Samariter, Sonntagschule, $11.92; Reeds, $11.95; Host, $21.33; Ecks, $23.30; Blauberg, $2 1.03.

(5) Persönlicher Beitrag für den Fundirungs-Fond des Mühlenberg-Collegiums $100.00.

(6) Der Beitrag für die englische Einheimische Mission wurde von der St. Johns luth. Sonntagschule in Bath beigetragen.

(7) Beitrag für das theologische Seminar schließt einen Privatbeitrag von $25.00 in sich.

(8) Der Beitrag für Heidenmission schließt $30.00 für die Erziehung eines Schülers in Indien in sich.

(9) Hilfspastor von Dr. E. Greenwald in Lancaster, Pa.

(10) Die Summe unter besondere Zwecke schließt $244.00 in sich, welche von Kirchen und einzelnen Personen auf einen öffentlichen Aufruf eingingen.

(11) Persönlicher Beitrag für das theologische Seminar.

(12) Hilfspastor von Pastor B. W. Schmauk in Lebanon und Annville, Pa.

(13) $7.25 unter sonstige Zwecke Beitrag für die St. Johns-Gemeinde in Columbia, Pa.

(14) Hilfspastor von Pastor J. J. Kündig in Reading Pa.

Tabelle No. 3.

Die Conferenz-Verbindung solcher Pastoren, die zu entfernt von dem gewöhnlichen Synodal-Bezirk wohnen, ist nicht bestimmt und konnte deshalb in der Tabelle nicht angegeben werden.

Ebenso konnte auch die Conferenz-Verbindung solcher von den neulich ordinirten Pastoren nicht angegeben werden, welche noch keine bestimmten Pfarrstellen haben. Theilweise ist die Conferenz angegeben, innerhalb welcher sie gegenwärtig wohnen.

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Tabelle No. 3.

Alphabetische Liste der Pastoren des Ministeriums, ihres Wohnortes und ihrer Gemeinden.

Die Ziffer vor den Namen bezeichnet die Conferenz, zu welcher die Pastoren gehören. (Siehe Anmerkungen Seite 103.)

Pastoren.	Wohnort.	Gemeinden.
4 Abele, J. G.	Harrisburg.	Zions
3 Ander, T. N.	Reading,	Pastor J. J. Kündig's Hilfspastor an St. Johannis.
2 Andres, W. J.	Bath, Northampton Co.	Moorstown, Little Moore Township, Steinkirche und Snyders.
Angstadt, T. M.	Mahon Bay, Nova Scotia.	
2 Anspach, J. M.	Easton.	Christus-Kirche.
2 Apple, B. F.	Bangor, Northampton Co.	Trinitatis (Mission).
2 Bauer, E. A.	Hazleton.	Christus-Kirche.
Baetes, W. A.	Lancaster, Ohio.	
3 Bartholomew, O. D.	Ringtown.	St. Johannis, Zions, St. Peters, Beaver.
5 Bayer, J. F.	Mahanoy, Northumberland Co.	St. Peters, Himmels, Emanuels, St. Paulus und Davids
1 Becker, J. L.	Sellersville, Bucks Co.	St. Michaels, Christus und Ridge Valley.
1 Bender, F. P.	2304 Ost-York Str., Philadelphia.	St. Michaels.
2 Bernheim, G. D., D. D.	Phillipsburg, N. J.	Gnadenkirche.
1 Berkemeyer, F.	Sellersville, Bucks Co.	Hillton, Ridge Road und Bridgetown.
2 Berndt, F. K.	Stetlersville, Lehigh Co.	Jordan, Lowhill.
1 Bickel, L. J.	Pottstown.	Ordinirt bei der Synode
1 Binder, C. K.	503 Linden Str., Camden, N. J.	Epiphanias (Englische Mission).
2 Bieber, J. W.	Bethlehem.	Trinitatis (Hecktown), und St. Johannis (Farmersville).
2 Bieber, Wm. J.	Hellertown.	Hellertown, Lower Saucon, Alt Williams.
4 Brownmiller, C. S.	Ephrata, Lancaster Co.	Trinitatis, Swamp, Schoeneck und Salem.
2 Bruegel, G. A.	Cherryville, Northampton Co.	St. Paulus, St. Johannes, Emanuels, Ost-Penn.
2 Bruning, H. H.	White Haven, Luzerne Co.	St. Paulus.
1 Buermeyer, F. F.	113 Ost 78. Straße, New York.	Englische Epiphanias-Mission der Trinitatis (Dr. Krotel).
1 Cassaday, E. R.	842 Wharton Straße, Philadelphia.	St. Peters Englische Mission, 8 und Reed Straße, Philadelphia
2 Clymer, H. T.	Sand Cut, Wayne Co.	Gnaden und St. Johannis.
1 Coleman, D. L.	Centre Square, Montgomery Co.	St. Johannis.
2 Cooper, C. J.	Süd-Bethlehem.	St. Peters und Trinitatis (Freemansburg). Englischer Sekretär.

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2	Cornman, W. O.	Easton.	
3	Creßman, J. J.	Bernville, Berks Co.	St. Johannis (Bernville), St. Johannis (Kutztown).
4	Darmstätter, J. A.	Columbia.	St. Paulus (Columbia) und Concordia (Chesnut Hill).
5	Darmstätter, J.	Lock Haven.	Erste deutsche evangelisch-lutherische Kirche.
1	Deck, J. P.	5467 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia.	St. Michaelis.
	Dietrich, F. S.	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien.	Telugu-Mission.
1	Dizinger, J. C.	427 Stevens Straße, Camden, N. J.	Dreifaltigkeits.
4	Dreßler, W. G.	East Hanover.	Ordinirt bei der Synode.
3	Drumheller, C. K.	Tamaqua.	Zions und Christus.
3	Duensing, H. T.	Tamaqua.	St. Johannis.
5	Early, J. W.	Trevorton.	Emanuels (Trevorton), Lantz's und St. Elias.
1	Emery, W. S.	Frenchtown, N. J.	[stus und St. Johannis.
3	Erb, J. N. S.	Orwigsburg, Schuylkill Co.	St. Paulus (Orwigsburg), Zions, Friedens, Zions (Lewistown), Chri=
2	Erb, J. S.	Slatington.	St. Johannis, St. Jakobus, St. Paulus und St. Matthäus.
2	Erdman, A. E.	Nazareth, Northampton Co.	Plainfield, Bushkill Centre, Union und St. Johannis (Pen Argyl).
5	Erle, C. L.	Colley, Sullivan Co.	
4	Fegley, H. N.	Mechanicsburg, Cumberland Co.	St. Markus und St. Johannis.
2	Fegley, H. S.	Lynnville, Lehigh Co.	Ebenezer, Jakobus, Jerusalems, St. Paulus und St. Petrus.
3	Finfrock, A.	Womelsdorf, Berks Co.	Womelsdorf, Eck, Reed's, Host's und Blauberg.
1	Fluck, J. F. C.	504 West Cumberland Str., Philada.	Advents (Englische Mission), 5. und Cumberland Straße, Philadelphia.
1	Foust, G. D.	North Wales, Montgomery Co.	St. Peters.
1	Fox, W. B.	Sumneytown, Montgomery Co.	St. Johannis, Sassaman's, Keeler's und St. Markus.
1	Francis, S. A. K.	1431 Süd 10. Straße, Philadelphia.	Trinitatis.
1	Frederick, G. W.	117 Nord 6. Straße, Philadelphia.	Lutherische Buchhandlung.
4	Fritz, J. H.	York.	
4	Fry, C. L.	Lancaster.	Hilfspastor von Pastor E. Greenwald, D. D.
3	Fry, J., D. D.	Reading.	Trinitatis. [Markus, Birdsboro.
3	Gable, Z. H.	Reading.	St. Jakobus, Robeson, St. Johannis, Wyomissing, Allegheny, St.
4	Gauker, J. W.	Palmyra, Lebanon Co.	Campbellstown, Palmyra, Bindnagels, Schells und Wenrich's.
2	Gartner, G. F.	Allentown.	St. Peters.
5	Geiger, W. H.	Pillow, Dauphin Co.	Stone Valley, St. Johannis, Georgetown, St. Lukas.
2	Geissinger, D. H.	Easton.	St. Johannis.
4	Gerhard, W., D. D.	Martinsburg, West Virginien.	
1	Gerhart, E. H.	Phoenixville.	St. Johannis.
1	Gerlach, F. R.	Norristown.	St. Paulus. [St. Jakobus und Wapwallopen.
5	German, J. P.	Berwick.	Mount Zion, St. Jakobus, Briar Creek, St. Johannis, St. Paulus,

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4	Gieß, H.	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.	Zoar's, Monroe Valley, St. Paulus und St. Johannis.
1	Graepp, A. R. Z.	Millville, N. J.	Millville und Vineland.
1	Grahn, H.	1009 Süd 4. Straße, Philadelphia.	Emanuels.
4	Greenwald, E., D. D.	Lancaster.	H. Trinitatis.
3	Groh, L.	Boyertown, Berks Co.	St. Johannis und Schwamm (Neu-Hanover).
5	Groff, J. R.	Danville.	Trinitatis. Versieht Trinitatis, Montour Co., St. Johannis und St.
3	Gruhler, J.	Shenandoah.	St. Johannis. [Jakobus.
3	Guensch, G. F. W.	Minersville, Schuylkill Co.	Zions.
	Hantz, J. M.	Watertown, Wis.	Professor.
1	Hartmann, Ernst,	2329 Thompson Straße, Philadelphia.	Christus und Nord Penn Village, Missionen von Dr. Späth's St. Jo-
4	Haßler, J. W.	Neu Holland, Lancaster Co.	Trinitatis. [hannis.
2	Heilig, Theophilus.	Stroudsburg, Monroe Co.	Zions und St. Paulus.
3	Heilman, U. P.	Athol, Berks Co.	St. Paulus (Amityville), Friedensburg und Pricetown.
2	Heißler, A. J.	Utica, N. Y.	Ordinirt bei der Synode.
5	Henkel, D. M., D. D.	Catawissa.	St. Peters.
4	Hennicke, F. T.	Frostburg, Md.	
5	Henry, S. S.	Pillow, Dauphin Co.	Klinger, Coleman, Artz.
2	Hill, R.	Allentown.	Agent für das Seminar.
5	Hillpot, J.	Elizabethville, Dauphin Co.	St. Johannis, Salems, Zions, St. Jakobus und Simeon.
3	Hinterleitner, G. A.	Pottsville.	Trinitatis.
1	Hirzel, C. J.	Chesnut Hill, Philadelphia.	Christus.
2	Horak, C.	Freeland.	Missionar unter den Slovaken.
3	Horine, M. C.	Reading.	St. James.
2	Horne, A. R., D. D.	Allentown.	Chestnut Hill, St. Peters und Assistent von Pastor J. Jaeger.
4	Houpt, C. E.	21 Ost James Straße, Lancaster.	Gnadenkirche.
	Hudson, W. G.	Indien.	Ordinirt bei der Synode.
3	Humbert, D. K.	Bowers, Berks Co.	DeLongs, Long Swamp, Hill, Huff's, St. Paulus und Neu-Jerusalem.
4	Hunt, B. H.	Bedford.	
3	Huntzinger, F. K.	Reading.	St. Lukas (Reading), Elsaß und St. Peters.
2	Jaeger, Josua.	Allentown.	Christus, Friedens, St. Peters und Lecha (Macungie).
3	Jaeger, T. T.	228 Nord 5. Straße, Reading.	Bern, Zions, Oley, Salem und Ziegels.

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1	Isenschmidt, P., M. D.	Wilmington, Delaware.	Zions.
1	Jacobs, H. E., D. D.	4104 Powelton Avenue, West-Phila.	Professor am Seminar zu Philadelphia.
	Joseph T.	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien.	Eingeb. Telugu-Missionar.
	Kähler, F. C. C.	Chicago, Ills.	Wicker Park-Mission.
1	Kepner, D. K.	Pottstown.	Emanuels.
1	Klingensmith, U. J.	Kimberton, Chester Co.	St. Peters.
2	Klingler, J. W.	Mount Bethel, Northampton Co.	Christus, Mt. Zion, St. Paulus und Bethel.
4	Kohler, J.	Leacock, Lancaster Co.	Zions.
2	Kohler, C. S.	Catasauqua.	Trinitatis.
3	Kramlich, B. E.	Kutztown, Berks Co.	Treglertown, Mazatawny, Mertztown, Fleetwood und Rockland.
2	Kramlich, M. J.	Fogelsville, Lehigh Co.	
1	Krotel, G. F., D. D.	49 West 21. Straße, New York.	H. Trinitatis, Präsident der Synode.
2	Kuder, J. H.	Lehighton.	Trinitatis.
2	Kühn, C.	90 South Straße, Wilkesbarre.	St. Paulus.
3	Kündig, J. J.	Reading.	St. Johannis.
2	Kuntz, D.	Nazareth, Northampton Co.	St. Johannis, Salems und Arndts.
3	Kuntz, W. H.	Schuylkill Haven.	Jerusalems, St. Paulus, St. Johannis.
2	Kuntz, J. J.	Connyngham, Luzerne Co.	Christus, St. Johannis, Emanuels, Friedens und St. Paulus.
1	Laird, S.	1314 Spring Garden Str., Phila.	St. Markus. Schatzmeister der Synode.
4	Laitzle, W. G.,	Lebanon.	
3	Lauer, C. L.	Frackville.	Zions.
1	Lazarus, J. W.	Allentown.	Ordinirt bei der Synode.
5	Lenker, M. B.	Lykens, Dauphin Co	St. Johannis, Trinitatis und St. Paulus.
2	Leopold, O.	Fogelsville, Lehigh Co.	St. Johannis, Ziegels, Cedarville, Morgenland und Weißenburg.
2	Lindenstruth, L.	Mauch Chunk.	St. Johannis und St. Johannis (Ost Mauch Chunk).
1	Linz, Aug.	1412 Tioga Straße, Philadelphia.	Trinitatis, 16. und Tioga Straße, Philadelphia.
3	Long, A. J.	Stouchsburg, Berks Co.	Stouchsburg, Nehrersburg, Newmanstown und Millcreek Kl. Tulpehocken.
	MacCready, F. J. C.	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien.	Missionar.
1	Mann, W. J., D. D.	114 Nord 34. Straße, Philadelphia.	Professor am theologischen Seminar u. Pastor Emeritus der Zions-Gem.
4	Markley, A. B.	Collegeville, Montgomery Co.	
4	Martens, D. M.	Augusta, Ga.	Deutsche evang. Luth. Gem. (Nicht in Verbindung mit der Synode.)
4	Martin, A., A. M.	Gettysburg.	Professor am Pennsylvania-Collegium.
2	Mattern, J. W.	Stroudsburg.	St. Johannis.
1	Mayne, J. W.	Dublin, Bucks Co.	St. Lukas und Christus.
4	Mayser, F. P.	Lancaster.	Zions. Deutscher Sekretär.
1	Miller, E. L.	Doylestown.	Doylestown.

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1	Miller, H. S.	Phoenixville.	
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	Professoren und Lehrer	9	
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	Missionare in Indien	7	
			233
Gemeinden		392	
	Confirmirte Glieder	88,596	
	Zum Abendmahl gingen	73,507	
	Kindertaufen	7,484	
Zunahme. —	Durch Taufe Erwachsener	302	
	Durch Confirmation	5,115	
	Aus andern lutherischen Gemeinden	1,190	
	Aus andern Gemeinschaften	318	
			6,925
Abnahme. —	Durch Tod	1,806	
	Durch Wegzug	799	
	Durch Ausschluß	39	
			2,644
Gemeindeschulen		17	
	Lehrer	31	
	Schüler	1,386	
Sonntagschulen.	1. Lutherische	195	
	Lehrer	4,152	
	Schüler	39,508	
	2. Unlutherische	224	
	Lehrer	1,813	
	Schüler	16,338	

Gesammtzahl der Sonntagschulen 419, der Lehrer 5,965, der Schüler 55,847.

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Gesammtsumme		$397,352 59

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Confirmirte Glieder, nach Abzug der Todesfälle u. s. w.	4281
Gemeindeschulen	3
Schüler	186
Lehrer	7
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Schüler	2,577
Lehrer	215
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Die Pastoren und Delegaten der Gemeinden fanden sich im Betsaal zur Beichte ein, welche vom Ehrw. Präsidenten der Synode, Pastor G. F. Krotel, D.D., und dem deutschen Sekretär, Pastor F. P. Mayser, gehalten wurde. Die versammelten Synodalen begaben sich hierauf in den Haupttheil der Kirche, wo der Eröffnungs-Gottesdienst nebst Abendmahlsfeier stattfand. Der Ehrw. Präsident hielt die Eröffnungspredigt über das Thema: „Was können wir als eine Synode von der ersten Kirchenversammlung der apostolischen Kirche lernen?" mit Zugrundelegung von Apgsch. 15. Die übrigen Beamten versahen den Altar-Gottesdienst und assistirten in der Austheilung des heiligen Abendmahls.

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Es zeigte sich, daß bei der Eröffnung 149 Pastoren und 93 Laien-Delegaten gegenwärtig waren.

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"	C. J. Hirzel	Chestnut Hill	J. G. Finley.
"	W. H. Myers	Reading	Dan. B. Esterly.
"	A. P. Pflüger	Turbotville	Cyrus Coleman.
"	W. Wackernagel, D.D.	Allentown	John Brown.
"	W. J. Andres	Bath	Levi Roth.
"	J. L. Becker	Sellersville	A. S. Treßman.
"	A. E. Erdman	Nazareth	Daniel Ehler.
"	L. Lindenstruth	Mauch Chunk	Henry Beinemann.
"	M. D. Rath	Allentown	
"	L. Smith	Weatherly	
"	J. D. Upp	South Easton	Jos. Hineline.
"	J. P. German	Berwick	David Whitebread.
"	J. W. Mattern	Stroudsburg	
"	G. P. Müller	Marietta	
"	W. A. C. Müller	Kutztown	Chas. W. Miller.
"	E. H. Pohle	Philadelphia	Friedr. Kreizer.
"	A. B. Markley	Jonestown	Hiram Light.
"	S. E. Ochsenford	Selinsgrove	
"	R. M. Zimmerman	Philadelphia	L. C. Fegeley.
"	R. E. Caffaday	Philadelphia	
"	E. K. Drumheller	Danville	Franklin Boyer.
"	J. F. C. Fluck	Philadelphia	
"	J. W. Gauker	Palmyra	Elias Ziegler.
"	W. H. Geiger	Pillow	Isaiah Snyder.
"	E. H. Gerhart	Phoenixville	
"	W. J. Bieber	Hellertown	W. Shimer.
"	J. P. Deck	Germantown	Jos. Hintermyer.
"	C. L. Fry	Lancaster	Reuben A. Baer.
"	U. P. Heilman	Athol	
"	D. H. Reiter	Richland Centre	J. S. Cope.
"	H. E. Semmel	Litiz	
"	J. L. Sibole	Philadelphia	Martin F. Trexler.
"	E. M. Smith	Philadelphia	
"	M. L. Zweizig	Scranton	
"	J. H. Kuder	Lehighton	A. M. Mehrkam.
"	W. M. Rehrig	Girardville	
"	G. S. Seaman	Elizabethtown	
"	F. K. Berndt	Stetlersville	John Kuhns.
"	C. K. Binder	Camden, N. J.	
"	C. Horak	Freeland	
"	J. W. Klingler	Mt. Bethel	Henry G. Beck.
"	G. W. Sandt	Rock Island, Ills.	
"	T. E. Schmauk	Lebanon	E. K. Manbeck.
"	S. B. Stupp	Mt. Nebo	J. M. Grumbein.
"	J. H. Umbenhen	Mt. Joy	
"	T. N. Ander	Mt. Holly, N. J.	
"	J. W. Mayne	Dublin	Geo. M. Swope.
"	S. Wenrich	Dushore	Geo. Eberling.
"	P. P. Wisser	Hockendauqua	
"	O. D. Bartholomew	Ringtown	John Singley.
"	L. J. Bickel	Reading	
"	J. Darmstätter	Lock Haven	
"	A. R. J. Graepp	Millville, N. J.	Christ. Meyers.
"	U. J. Klingensmith	Kimberton	Jacob Emery.
"	J. W. Lazarus	Allentown	
"	E. L. Miller	Doylestown	J. L. Kramer.
"	R. D. Roeder	Norristown	Ephraim B. Bickel.

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Pastoren.	Wohnort.	Laien-Delegaten.
Ehrw. C. E. Sandt	Freemansburg	O. K. Jones.
„ E. H. Smoll	Millersville	
„ A. W. Walter	Easton	Hiram Edelmann.
„ A. C. Wuchter	Summit Hill	Samuel Motzer.

Folgende Laien-Delegaten waren von Gemeinden zugegen, welche vakant sind, deren Pastoren abwesend waren, oder erst bei dieser Versammlung aufgenommen wurden.

		Delegaten.
Gnaden-Kirche	Bethlehem	Geo. T. Hannmann.
St. Peters	South Bethlehem	John Redline.
Reamstown Pfarrstelle	Reamstown	G. A. Kemper.
St. John's	Allentown	T. H. Diehl.
Zions	Minersville	Jonas Laubenstein.
St. John's	Wilkesbarre	H. D. Thomas.
St. Paulus	Norristown	Rudolf Krobitzsch.
St. Johannes	Tamaqua	Wilhelm Schilbe.
Cherryville Pfarrstelle	Cherryville	E. C. Berlin.
St. Johannis	Philadelphia	Solomon Wiedman.
St. John's	Philadelphia	Reuben B. Miller.
Trinitatis	Norristown	Henry Lehman.

Pastoren, welche während der diesjährigen Versammlung in das Ministerium aufgenommen wurden:

Pastoren.	Pfarrstelle.	Frühere Verbindung.
Ehrw. J. A. Baumann	Prof. i. Mühlb. Coll.	Schwed. Augst. Synode.
„ G. C. Gardner	Roxboro	Distr.-Synode von Ohio.
„ L. H. Geschwind	Wilkesbarre	New York-Ministerium.
„ J. Heck	Philadelphia	Ev. Kirche, A. C., Oestreich.
„ D. C. Konrad	Norristown	Aus Kropp.
„ S. A. Repaß, D.D.	Allentown St. John's	Virginia-Synode.
„ H. C. Schmieder	Philadelphia	Aus Kropp.
„ J. A. Scheffer	Allentown	Pittsburg-Synode.
„ B. H. Warnke	Woodbury, N. J.	New York-Ministerium.
„ J. Wilke	Philadelphia	Aus Kropp.

Folgende siebenzehn Candidaten wurden ordinirt:

Friedrich Johnson Bergmann,
Johann Eusebius Berly, M.D.,
Wilhelm R. Brown,
Claus Peter Emil Buttermann,
Johann Jakob Foust,
Paul Franz Aug. Glasow,
Franz Kayser,
Thurston Orville Keister,
Johann Jakob Kline,
Emil Conrad Johann Kräling,
Jeremiah Henry Ritter,
Jakob Oliver Schlenker,
Wilhelm Franz Schöner,
Johann Shunk,
Johann Wilhelm Smith,
Heinrich Alexander Trexler,
Benjamin G. Welder.

Folgende Pastoren waren abwesend:

Ehrw. H. S. Miller, J. Jäger, J. Röller, Prof. H. J. Schmid, D.D., C. F. Welden, C. L. Erle, W. Weaver, A. J. Weddel, J. C. Schmidt, H. Weickfel, D. M. Henkel, D.D., Thomas Steck, D. M. Martens, F. T. Hennicke, B. H. Hunt, J. H. Fritz, Prof. A. Martin, G. A. Brügel, Prof. A. Späth, D.D., G. F. W. Günsch, J. M. Hantz, B. Pick, Ph.D., D. E. Reed, J. W. Rumple, E. E. Sibole, W. A. Baetes, O. D. Müller, A. F. Walz. — 28.

Durch den Tod wurden während dem verflossenen Synodal-Jahr folgende Pa-

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storen abgerufen: Ehrw. J. B. Rath, Pastor der Gnaden-Kirche zu Bethlehem, Pa., und Schatzmeister der Synode; Ehrw. E. Greenwald, D.D., Pastor der Trinitatis-Kirche zu Lancaster, Pa. — 2.

Entlassen wurden folgende Pastoren: Ehrw. J. H. Orr, T. M. Angstadt, A. Ramsey, R. Scheffer, S. A. Waters, A. Voigt, A. J. Heißler, W. G. Dreßler, E. Hartmann, F. K. Wismer, H. T. Clymer, H. Th. Duensing, H. Wendel, F. C. C. Kähler. — 14.

Von den 238 nun zum Ministerium gehörenden Predigern waren 208 gegenwärtig. Mit Einschluß der 119 Laien-Delegaten waren demnach 327 stimmfähige Glieder zugegen.

Pastor Alexander Richter reichte sein Beglaubigungsschreiben ein als Delegat des Ehrw. Ministeriums von New York und überbrachte die Grüße dieses Körpers. Er wurde vom Ehrw. Präsidenten bewillkommt und zu Sitz und Stimme in unseren Berathungen eingeladen.

Als besuchende Pastoren waren anwesend: Ehrw. W. A. Passavant, D.D., von der Pittsburg-Synode, Ehrw. R. E. McDaniel von der Indiana-Synode, Ehrw. F. A. Kähler vom New York-Ministerium, Ehrw. G. C. Berkemeier von demselben Körper und Prof. Dr. H. Hilprecht von Erlangen.

Der ehrw. Präsident Pastor G. F. Krotel, D.D., verlas hierauf seinen jährlichen Bericht, welcher lautet wie folgt:

Bericht des Präsidenten.

An das Ehrw. Evang.-Luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und den angrenzenden Staaten.

Liebe Brüder!

„Gnade sei mit euch, und Friede von Gott, unserem Vater, und dem Herrn Jesu Christo!"

Der Apostel Paulus, der die Gemeinde zu Rom auf diese Weise grüßte, und seinem Gott dankte, durch Jesum Christ, daß man von dem Glauben jener Gemeinde in aller Welt redete, und der dieselbe versichern konnte, daß er ohne Unterlaß ihrer gedenke, setzte auch noch hinzu, daß er allezeit in seinem Gebet flehe, ob sich's einmal zutragen wollte, daß er zu ihnen käme durch Gottes Willen, weil, wie er sich ausdrückt, „mich verlanget euch zu sehen, auf daß ich euch mittheile etwas geistlicher Gabe, euch zu stärken; das ist, daß ich sammt euch getröstet würde, durch euren und meinen Glauben, den wir untereinander haben."

Wenn ein Apostel sich also sehnte, eine Gemeinde, deren Glieder, der Mehrzahl nach, ihm durchaus fremd waren, von Angesicht zu Angesicht zu sehen, sollte es nicht für uns, die wir Mitarbeiter im Weinberg des Herrn sind, eine Freude sein einander wieder begrüßen zu können, in der Hoffnung, daß wir uns gegenseitig trösten und stärken werden?

Wir alle sind hier „einmüthig bei einander," im Namen des Herrn, und als Seine Jünger, in dem Bewußtsein, daß „Einer ist unser Meister—Christus," und daß wir unter einander Brüder sind. Dieser unser Meister hat gesagt: „Wo zwei oder drei versammelt sind in Meinem Namen, da bin Ich mitten unter ihnen." Möge Er, unser unsichtbares, aber gegenwärtiges Haupt, der Hirte

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und Bischof unserer Seelen, uns Sein „Friede sei mit euch!" zurufen, und uns den heiligen Geist schenken, auf daß unsere Zusammenkunft zum Segen gereiche.

Todesfälle.

Indem ich die Lebendigen auf diese Weise begrüße, kann ich nicht umhin der Verstorbenen zu gedenken, die aber auch zu den Lebenden zu rechnen sind, denn unser Heiland spricht: „Wer an Mich glaubt, der wird leben, ob er gleich stürbe. Und wer da lebet und glaubet an Mich, der wird nimmermehr sterben."

Bei unser letztjährigen Versammlung fiel die Wahl wieder auf Pastor Jacob B. Rath, obwohl sein Gesundheitszustand die Befürchtung erweckte, daß er kaum im Stande sein möchte, das Amt des Schatzmeisters bis zum Jahresschluß zu bekleiden. Diese Befürchtungen gingen auch wirklich in Erfüllung, denn nicht lange nach der Vertagung der Synode, — am 3. Juli 1885, legte er seine Resignation als Schatzmeister in meine Hände. Er that diesen Schritt nicht nur, weil seine körperliche Schwachheit eine solche Erleichterung forderte, sondern auch weil es ihm daran lag, so lange er noch im Stande war, seine Bücher in Ordnung zu bringen, und dieselben sammt allem Eigenthum der Synode, ohne Zeitverlust und mit Vermeidung aller Schwierigkeiten, die sein schneller Tod herbeiführen könnte, — seinem Amtsnachfolger zu überantworten. Es gefiel dem Herrn, sein Leben so lange zu fristen, bis er diese wichtige Arbeit zu Stande gebracht hatte, und rief ihn dann in die Ruhe, die dem Volke Gottes vorhanden ist. Er starb in seiner Heimath zu Bethlehem, Pa., den 5. August 1885, und am 10. desselben Monats hielt ich seine Leichenpredigt in der Kirche, in welcher er bis zu seinem Ende Pastor blieb, vor einer großen Anzahl Prediger dieses Körpers.

Am 21. December 1885 entschlief unser geliebter und ehrwürdiger Bruder, Pastor Emanuel Greenwald, D.D., dessen körperliche Leiden ihn manchmal in den letzten Jahren von unseren Synodalversammlungen abgehalten hatten. Obwohl die Beerdigung am Tage vor dem heiligen Christfest stattfand, eilten doch viele unserer Brüder nach Lancaster, um ihm, mit seiner Gemeinde, die letzte Ehre zu erweisen. Auch hier mußte ich die Leichenpredigt halten, und zwar auf der Kanzel, auf welcher ich Jahre lang als einer seiner Vorgänger das Wort gepredigt hatte. Leicht wurde es mir, die Ueberzeugung auszusprechen, daß jene ehrwürdige Gemeinde nie von einem treueren Pastor bedient wurde. Unser Ministerium, in welchem er Jahre lang mit der ihm eigenen Würde und Leutseligkeit den Vorsitz führte, wird sein freundliches Angesicht und sein demüthiges und gottseliges Beispiel nie vergessen.

Nach altem Brauch wird es vom Präsident erwartet, daß er in seinem Jahresberichte die im Laufe des Jahres verstorbenen Prediger anführe. Das ist aber nicht der Fall hinsichtlich verstorbener Gemeindeabgeordneten, weil nur wenige von ihnen so regelmäßig wie die Pastoren auf unseren Synodalversammlungen erscheinen. Aber vor einem Jahre führte ich einen solchen an, weil er zur Zeit seines Todes ein Glied unserer Finanz-Committee war. Und auch dieses Jahr fühle ich mich gedrungen einen anderen Laien zu nennen, der in früheren Jahren oft als Delegat erschien, und zu jeder Zeit ein reges Interesse an unseren Angelegenheiten an den Tag legte. Ich bin überzeugt, daß die jetzt anwesenden Abgeordneten unserer Gemeinden und unsere Gemeindeglieder im ganzen Gebiete unserer Synode, ja in der Kirche im allgemeinen, es

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ganz der Ordnung gemäß finden werden, wenn ich hier den Namen des Dr. H. H. Muhlenberg anführe, der am 5. Mai 1886 in Reading, Pa., in seinem 75. Lebensjahre gestorben ist. Er verdient diese Anzeige, weil er einer von den würdigsten Nachkommen des Patriarchen Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg, ein treues Glied unserer lutherischen Kirche, und einer von den wärmsten Freunden unseres ehrwürdigen Ministeriums war.

Stellenwechsel und Installationen.

Noch vor der Vertagung unserer vorjährigen Synode benachrichtigte mich Pastor A. R. J. Gräpp, daß er einen Ruf von Millville und Vineland, N. J., angenommen habe. Er wurde am 19. Juli eingeführt.

Am 2. Juni 1885 wurde Pastor J. R. Shoffner in der St. Johannis-Kirche, Columbia, Lancaster County, Pa., feierlich eingeführt.

Am 28. Juni Pastor O. D. Bartholomew in dem Ringtown Pfarrdistrikt.

Am 28. Juni Pastor W. J. Klingensmith in der St. Peters-Kirche, West Pikeland, Chester County, Pa.

Am 7. Juli legte Pastor J. Zentner sein Amt an der Trinitatis-Gemeinde zu Trenton, N. J., nieder.

Am 12. Juli wurde Pastor J. Darmstätter in der deutschen Gemeinde in Lock Haven, Pa., eingeführt.

Am 12. Juli wurde Pastor S. A. Repaß, D.D., in der St. Johannis-Kirche, Allentown, eingeführt.

Am 19. Juli Pastor E. L. Miller in der St. Pauls-Gemeinde, Doylestown, Pa.

Am 19. August Pastor W. C. L. Lauer in der Zions-Gemeinde, Frackville, Pa.

Am 6. August folgte Pastor Edwin H. Smoll einem Ruf von Millersville, Lancaster Co., Pa.

Am 30. August wurde Pastor Robert D. Röder als Pastor der neu organisirten Gnaden-Gemeinde in West Norristown, Pa., installirt.

Am 1. Oktober trat Pastor A. B. Markley sein Amt an der Zions-Gemeinde, Jonestown, Lebanon County, Pa., an, und wurde auch installirt.

Am 7. Oktober benachrichtigte mich der Sekretär der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Trenton, N. J., daß Pastor R. Gerlach von Norristown an die Gemeinde berufen worden sei. Er wurde nachher, am 17. Januar 1886, eingeführt.

Am 1. November übernahm Pastor T. N. Ander, früher Pastor J. J. Kündigs Gehülfe in Reading, die Gemeinden St. Paulus und Zion, in Hainsport und Riverside, N. J.

Am 10. November benachrichtigte mich Pastor L. H. Geschwind, daß er den Ruf der englischen St. Johannis-Gemeinde zu Wilkesbarre angenommen habe. Er wurde am 21. Februar 1886, eingeführt.

Am 14. November zeigte mir Dr. J. Fry an, daß er Pastor L. J. Bickel berufen habe, um in den von der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Reading erbauten Kapellen Gottesdienst zu halten.

Am 22. November trat Pastor G. C. Gardner sein Amt an der deutschen Gemeinde in Manayunk an und wurde am 24. Februar 1886 installirt.

Am 30. December theilte mir Pastor J. B. Stupp mit, daß er sein Amt an der deutschen Johannis-Gemeinde in Philipsburg, N. J., niedergelegt und

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einen Ruf von der Hanover Gemeinde, Lebanon County, Pa., angenommen habe. Er wurde am 26. December eingeführt.

Am 1. Januar 1886 übernahm Pastor J. R. Groff den Danville deutschen Pfarrdistrikt, und am 1. März resignirte er als Pastor der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Danville, Pa.

Am 2. Januar 1886 benachrichtigte mich Pastor Otto Konrad, daß er einen Ruf von der St. Pauls-Gemeinde, Norristown, Pa., angenommen habe.

Am 9. Januar fand sich Pastor P. P. Wisser durch Krankheit gezwungen, sein Amt an der Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Mt. Joy, Lancaster County, Pa., niederzulegen.

Am 22. Januar benachrichtigte mich Pastor A. R. Horne, D.D., daß er von den seit Jahren von dem ehrwürdigen Pastor Josua Jäger bedienten Gemeinden berufen worden sei, und den Ruf auch angenommen habe. Pastor Jäger, der diese Gemeinden über ein halbes Jahrhundert, und über sein achtzigstes Jahr, mit beinahe ungebrochener Kraft bedient hatte, fand doch zuletzt, daß die Arbeit für ihn zu schwer war, und bewog seine Gemeinden, die ihn gerne bis zu seinem Lebensende behalten hätten, ihn zu entlassen und einen Nachfolger zu wählen. Vater Jäger war noch bei der Eröffnung unserer letztjährigen Synode zugegen, und es freut mich, sagen zu können, daß — obwohl er heute nicht im Stande ist unter uns zu erscheinen, — er doch — als ich ihn vor etlichen Monaten zum letztenmal sprach, — den Eindruck machte, daß er noch viel von der alten Kraft besitzt, die ihn in unserem Kreise auszeichnete.

Am 14. Februar wurde Pastor Carl L. Fry, als Dr. Greenwald's Nachfolger, von seinem Vater, Dr. J. Fry, in Lancaster installirt.

Am 17. März zeigte mir Pastor W. H. Rickert an, daß er am 1. Januar sein Amt an der englisch-lutherischen Gemeinde in Williamsport, Pa., niedergelegt, dieselbe aber seither versorgt habe.

Am 28. März wurde Pastor A. W. Walter in der St. Lukas-Gemeinde, Easton, Pa., eingeführt.

Am 5. April theilte mir Pastor C. J. Cooper mit, daß er sein Amt an den Gemeinden zu South Bethlehem und Freemansburg niederlegen werde, um dem Ruf der Behörden des Mühlenberg College als Schatzmeister und Agent jener Anstalt zu folgen.

Am 9. April zeigte mir Pastor J. Zentner an, daß er am 1. Januar die St. Johannis-Gemeinde zu Philipsburg, N. J., angenommen habe.

Am 21. April benachrichtigte mich Pastor C. K. Drumheller, daß er sein Amt an der Gemeinde zu Tamaqua niedergelegt, und einen Ruf von der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Danville, Pa., angenommen habe.

Am 13. Mai hörte ich, daß Pastor Karl H. Hemsath zum Nachfolger unseres verstorbenen Bruders J. B. Rath, an der Gnaden-Kirche in Bethlehem berufen worden sei.

Pastor A. C. Wuchter hat einen Ruf der St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Summit Hill, Carbon Co., Pa., angenommen.

Pastor J. H. Umbenhen hat sein Amt an dem Reamstown Pfarrdistrikt niedergelegt, um einen Ruf der Gemeinde zu Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co., Pa., anzunehmen, und gedenkt sein neues Arbeitsfeld am 2. Sonntag nach Trinitatis anzutreten.

Entlassungen.

Am 4. Juli 1885, Pastor Joseph H. Orr, an die Pittsburg-Synode.

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Am 9. Juli, Pastor T. M. Angstadt, an dieselbe.
Am 4. August, Pastor Alfred Ramsey, an dieselbe.
Am 12. August, Pastor N. Scheffer, an dieselbe.
Am 15. August, Pastor J. A. Waters, an dieselbe.
Am 18. August, Pastor A. Voigt, an eine Professur in Newberry College, S. C., berufen, wünscht sich der Synode von Süd Carolina anzuschließen, und erhält das in solchen Fällen gewöhnliche Zeugniß.
Am 28. August, Pastor Andreas J. Heißler, an das ev.-luth. Ministerium von New York.
Am 2. September, Pastor W. Georg Dreßler, an dasselbe.
Am 23. September, Pastor E. Hartmann, der einen Ruf von der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Baltimore angenommen hat, und sich der Maryland Synode anschließen will, erhält das gewöhnliche Zeugniß.
Am 23. Oktober, Pastor Isaak K. Wismer, an die Pittsburg-Synode.
Am 12. November, Pastor H. T. Clymer, erhält das übliche Zeugniß, da er sich bei der Synode von West Pennsylvanien zur Aufnahme melden will.
Am 30. November, Pastor H. Th. Duensing, an das ev.-luth. Ministerium von New York.
Am 16. Februar 1886, Pastor Hugo Wendel, an die New York-Synode.
Am. 19. Mai, Pastor F. C. C. Kähler von Chicago, an die Synode von Indiana.

Neue Gemeinden.

Die Gründung folgender Gemeinden ist mir gemeldet worden; etliche von ihnen sind von den betreffenden Conferenzen in unseren Verband aufgenommen worden, und sind deßwegen zur Repräsentation berechtigt.
Eine in Neu Schäfferstown, Berks Co., am 20. November 1885. Sie nahm die vom General-Conzil empfohlene Gemeinde-Ordnung an. Pastor A. Johnson Long, von Stouchsburg, Pa., bedient sie einstweilen.
Pastor O. D. Bartholomew organisirte eine Gemeinde in Brandonville, vier Meilen östlich von Ringtown. Es ist gute Aussicht, daß im Laufe dieses Sommers eine Kirche gebaut werden wird.
Die St. Lukas-Gemeinde in Easton, Pa., wurde am 25. Januar 1886 organisirt und auf der letzten Versammlung der zweiten Conferenz in die Synode aufgenommen.
Die ev.-luth „Gnaden"-Gemeinde wurde in West Norristown, Pa., organisirt und von der ersten Conferenz aufgenommen. Pastor Roeder steht an derselben.
Auch ist eine neue Gemeinde in Bowmansville, in dem Reamstown Pfarrdistrict, organisirt worden, als derselbe noch unter der pastoralen Leitung des Ehrw. J. H. Umbenhen stand.

Ecksteinlegungen.

Am 13. September, der einer Missionskapelle zu Cornwall, im Arbeitsfeld der Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk.
Am 11 Oktober, der der Zions-Kirche, Pillow, Pa., Pastor Geiger.
Am 22. Oktober, der einer gemeinschaftlichen Kirche zu Mountain Grove, Luzerne Co., Pa., Pastor J. J. Kuntz.
Am 18 April, der Gnaden-Kirche, West Norristown.
Am 16. Mai, der Christus-Kirche, Elizabethtown, Lancaster Co. Pa., Pastor G. S. Seaman.

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Am 16. Mai, einer gemeinschaftlichen Kirche, für die Gemeinden in Friedensburg und Oley, Berks Co., Pa., Pastor Urich P. Heilman.

Am. 2. Juni benachrichtigte mich Pastor F. K. Huntzinger, daß die St. Lukas-Gemeinde im Laufe dieses Sommers eine neue Kirche zu bauen gedenkt, und daß die alte Kirche an deren Stelle die neue kommen soll, schon abgerissen ist. Der Eckstein sollte am Pfingstfest, also am 13. d. M. gelegt werden. Die neue Kirche soll eine Größe von 50x94 Fuß haben.

Am 30. Mai legte Pastor J. H. Umbenhen, im Namen der lutherischen Gemeinde, den Eckstein einer neuen Kirche (zu Bowmansville), welche auch von der reformirten Gemeinde gebraucht werden soll. Sie soll die „Evangelisch-Lutherische und Reformirte St. Paulus-Kirche" heißen.

Einweihung von Kirchen.

Am 21. Juni 1885, eine Kapelle in Lebanon, Pa., durch die Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk. Größe, 28x50 Fuß und kostet $2,300.

Am 28. Juni, die St. Johannis-Kirche zu Reamstown; soll die schönste Kirche in jenem Thal sein.

Am 26. Juli, die lutherische Kirche zu Pen Argyl, Northampton Co., Pa., A. Erdmann, Pastor.

Am 20. September, die St. Johannis-Kirche in Pastor J. F. Bayers Pfarrdistrikt.

Am 20. September, die „Hoffnungs"-Kapelle, in Schuylkill Avenue, Reading; am 27. September, die „Friedens"-Kapelle in Nord Reading; und am 11. Oktober die „Glaubens"-Kapelle in East Reading, welche drei Kapellen die Trinitatis-Gemeinde (Pastor Dr. J. Fry) errichtet hat.

Am 25. Oktober, die erste lutherische Kirche zu Selinsgrove, Ehrw. S. E. Ochsenford, Pastor.

Am 8. November, die Emanuels-Kirche, Pastor J. W. Early.

Am 13. December, die Kirche zu Aineyville, nahe bei Allentown, Pastor C. E. Sandt.

Am 17. März 1886, eine gemeinschaftliche Kirche in Rusch Township, Schuylkill Co., Pa.; aus Holz gebaut; Größe, 44x80. Pastor C. K. Drumheller.

Am 18. April, die englische St. Lukas-Kirche, Ecke der 7. Straße und Montgomery Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Pastor J. L. Sibole.

Am 9. Mai, die Kapelle zu Cornwall, in dem Pfarrdistrict der Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk.

Verschönerung von Kirchen.

Am 6. September wurde die Friedens-Kirche (Pastor F. J. F. Schantz) wieder eröffnet, nachdem sie mit einem Kostenaufwand von $1500 verschönert worden war.

Am 2. Sonntag im September wurde die wohlbekannte Kirche zu Neu Hanover (Falkner Schwamm, Pastor L. Groh), nachdem sie durch schöne Frescomalerei 2c. bedeutend verschönert worden, feierlich wiedereröffnet.

Auch wurde die Kirche zu N. Wales (Pastor D. Foust) wieder hergestellt.

Am 20. September wurde die gemeinschaftliche St. Johannis-Kirche, nachdem sie einen neuen Thurm und auch bedeutende Verschönerung im Innern erhalten hatte, wieder feierlich eröffnet.

Die Christus-Kirche in Tulpehocken, die mit einem Kostenaufwand von

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$6500 vollkommen restaurirt wurde, ist am 26. December dem Dienste des Herrn von Neuem übergeben worden.

Am 17. Januar 1886 die Trinitatis-Kirche zu Danville, Pa., Pastor J. R. Groff.

Verschiedenes.

Letztes Jahr wurde „Beschlossen, daß der Präsident dieses Körpers einige Wochen vor der nächsten Versammlung ein Rundschreiben an die Pastoren und Gemeinden ergehen lassen und auf die Nothwendigkeit aufmerksam machen soll, daß alle Pastoren und Delegaten von Anfang bis zum Ende der Synode anwesend seien." Ein solches Rundschreiben, in deutscher und in englischer Sprache, übergab ich am 27. April dem Druck, und dasselbe kam zu guter Zeit in die Hände unserer Pastoren und Gemeinden.

Am 10. Juni 1885, auf Ersuchen der Finanz-Committee dieses Körpers, I entered satisfaction of record of the bond and mortgage of Joseph Carter Powell to Charles D. Colladay, secured upon the premises at the S. W. corner of 25th street and Turner str., 29th ward, Philadelphia, Pa., $1800.

Am 3. Juli 1885 übersandte mir Pastor J. B. Rath seine Resignation als Schatzmeister dieses Ministeriums, die alsbald in Kraft treten sollte. Wie schon gesagt, wurde er darum zu diesem Schritte bewogen, weil es ihm ernstlich daran gelegen war, die der Synode angehörenden Bücher, Gelder 2c. sobald als möglich in die Hände seines Amtsnachfolgers zu legen, da ihn seine rasch abnehmenden Kräfte an die Nähe des Todes mahnten. Seinem Wunsche gemäß ersuchte ich die Pastoren J. D. Schindel und Enoch Smith ihm in der Anordnung seiner Bücher und Rechnungen, zur Einsicht einer Untersuchungs-Committee, behilflich zu sein, und diese Brüder haben auf die freundlichste Weise treffliche Dienste geleistet. Weiterhin entschloß ich mich, auf Pastor J. B. Raths Vorschlag, seinen Bericht und seine Bücher der von der Executiv-Committee dieses Ministeriums ernannten Untersuchungs-Committee, nämlich den Pastoren Dr. B. Sadtler, W. Rath, C. J. Cooper und Herrn T. H. Diehl zur Prüfung zu übergeben.

Demgemäß schrieb ich sogleich an Dr. Sadtler, und da derselbe verreist war, sandte seine Familie den Brief an Pastor W. Rath, der von da an als Vorsitzer fungirte, und mit den übrigen Gliedern der Committee sogleich an die Arbeit ging.

Ebenso setzte ich mich ohne Zeitverlust hinsichtlich der Ernennung eines passenden Nachfolgers des Herrn Pastor J. B. Rath mit den Sekretären des Ministeriums in Verbindung, und, nachdem ich ihre Zustimmung erhalten hatte, ernannte ich am 6. Juli 1885 den Ehrw. Samuel Laird, Pastor der St. Markus-Gemeinde zu Philadelphia. Ich freue mich, hinzusetzen zu können, daß derselbe ohne Zögern das schwere und verantwortliche Amt übernahm. Der Regel unseres Ministeriums gemäß verlangte ich von ihm die als nöthig erachtete Bürgschaft ($15,000), und forderte ihn auf, dieselbe der Finanz-Committee vorzulegen, damit das Dokument, sobald es von derselben als genügend erklärt worden sei, im Synodal-Archiv niedergelegt werden könnte. Auch theilte ich ihm mit, daß, sobald ich einen befriedigenden Bericht von der Untersuchungs-Committee erhalten würde, ich Pastor J. B. Rath ersuchen würde, alles Eigenthum der Synode in die Hände seines Nachfolgers zu überliefern. An demselben Tage zeigte ich auch Pastor J. B. Rath die Ernennung und Annahme Pastor Lairds an, sowie daß ich ihn ersuchen würde, die Bücher, Gel-

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der u. s. w. zu überliefern, sobald ich den Bericht der genannten Committee erhalten würde.

Am 10. Juli schrieb mir Pastor Laird, daß seine Obligation unterzeichnet und angenommen worden sei, und an dem darauf folgenden Tag gab mir die Finanz-Committee die offizielle Nachricht, daß Pastor Lairds Obligation und Bürgen vollkommen genügend seien; und am 13. d. M. benachrichtigte mich Dr. W. J. Mann, Archivarius, daß er die Obligation des neuen Schatzmeisters, Pastor S. Laird, erhalten und im Archiv des Ministeriums niedergelegt habe.

Am 11. Juli, auf Wunsch des Herrn Pastor Laird, machte ich seine Ernennung als Schatzmeister in den Kirchenblättern bekannt.

Am 15. Juli erhielt ich den Bericht der Untersuchungs-Committee, unterzeichnet von den Pastoren W. Rath, C. J. Cooper und Herrn T. H. Diehl, dahin lautend, daß sie die Rechnung des gewesenen Schatzmeisters richtig gefunden hatten. Der Vorsitzer fügte noch die Bitte hinzu, daß die Ueberlieferung der Bücher, Papiere, Gelder u. s. w. — in Gegenwart dieser Committee geschehen möchte.

Ich sandte diesen Bericht, so wie die Bitte der Committee an Pastor Laird.

An demselben Tage, 15. Juli, schrieb ich an Pastor J. B. Rath und ersuchte ihn, alles Eigenthum des Ministeriums dem neuen Schatzmeister zu überliefern, und gab ihm die Versicherung, daß, sobald ich von dieser Ueberlieferung benachrichtigt worden sei, ich auch die Zurückerstattung seiner im Archiv aufbewahrten Obligation besorgen würde.

Am 18. Juli berichtete Pastor Laird, daß er nach Bethlehem gegangen sei und alles Eigenthum der Synode von Pastor J. B. Rath erhalten habe, und daß ich nun das Bond des letzteren zurückgeben könne. Ich schrieb sofort an Dr. W. J. Mann, dieses Dokument aus dem Archiv zu nehmen, und Pastor J. B. Rath zuzustellen. Am 24. d. M. schrieb er mir, daß er es gethan habe.

Es freute mich, daß diese ganze Angelegenheit zu guter Zeit zu Stande gebracht worden war, und ich fühlte mich gegen unseren verstorbenen Bruder und Schatzmeister, sowie den Brüdern, die solche treffliche Dienste geleistet hatten, zum Danke verpflichtet, daß es mir gelungen war, diese Uebertragung ohne unnöthigen Zeitverlust, und ohne irgend einen Verlust auf Seiten des Ministeriums zu Stande zu bringen. Der Bericht der vorhin genannten Untersuchungs-Committee wird hiermit beigelegt.

Auf Vorschlag des Herrn Pastor F. P. Mayser, unseres deutschen Sekretärs, ernannte ich Pastor E. E. Sibole als ein Glied der „Publications-Committee", an die Stelle des Herrn Pastor Laird, der von Amtswegen Glied derselben bleibt.

Die Interessen der Legaten, die der Präsident dieses Körpers zu verwalten hat, kamen, wie gewöhnlich, in meine Hände, und, nachdem ich den ihnen gebührenden Antheil dem evang.-luth. Ministerium von New York, und der lutherischen Synode von West Pennsylvanien zugesandt hatte, verwendete ich den Rest nach vorgeschriebener Weise und lege pflichtgemäß meine Rechnung vor.

Am. 29. September richtete Pastor H. Grahn, Präsident der deutschen Stadtmission in Philadelphia, Pa., ein Schreiben an mich, in welchem er darstellte, wie wünschenswert es sei, daß Kandidat J. Witke (aus Kropp, Deutschland) ordinirt werde, damit er die durch die Resignation des Herrn Pastor E. Hartmann vacant gewordene Gemeinde in der Christus-Kapelle und in North

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Penn Village als Pastor bedienen könne. Auch stellte er die Frage, ob die Executiv-Committee des Ministeriums mir nicht die Befugniß ertheilen könnte, denselben sofort zu ordiniren.

Ich antwortete am 31. September, daß unsere Synodal-Constitution weder mir, noch jener Committee, noch irgend jemanden das Recht gebe, — irgend eine Person in dem Zwischenraum von einer Synodalversammlung zur anderen zu ordiniren, es sei denn, daß solches in der vorhergehenden Ministerialversammlung beschlossen worden sei. Zu gleicher Zeit machte ich darauf aufmerksam, daß der Ehrw. Präsident des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von New York vielleicht die Vollmacht und den Willen haben möchte, in diesem Falle diesen Kandidaten zu ordiniren und ihm dann eine ehrenvolle Entlassung an unser Ministerium zu ertheilen.

Am 30. März sandte mir Pastor Johannes Witte von Philadelphia seinen vom New Yorker Ministerium ausgestellten Ordinationsschein und eine, vom Ehrw. Präsidenten jenes Körpers, Pastor Krug, unterzeichnete ehrenvolle Entlassung an unser Ministerium. Den Ordinationsschein überlieferte ich Pastor Witte und theilte ihm mit, daß seine ehrenvolle Entlassung unserer Examinations-Committee bei der jetzigen Versammlung vorgelegt werden soll.

Da die Frage wegen der Ordination der durch die Bemühungen der deutschen Missions-Committee des General-Concils von Deutschland herübergebrachten Kandidaten durch den soeben genannten Fall ganz natürlich vor uns tritt, so wird es wohl hier am Besten am Platze sein, das, was das General-Concil bei der vorjährigen Versammlung in Philadelphia in Bezug auf diese Frage beschlossen hat, — diesem Ehrw. Körper vorzulegen. Die deutsche Committee hatte in ihrem Berichte diese Frage wegen der Ordination der herübergekommenen Candidaten berührt, und nachdem dieselbe eine eingehende Debatte hervorgerufen hatte, wurde die ganze Sache der Executiv-Committee des General-Concils übergeben. Dieselbe legte, in einer späteren Sitzung, folgenden Bericht vor, der auf Seite 106—7 der deutschen Verhandlungen steht.

> „In Betreff der Ordination der im Dienste unseres Inneren Missions-Committees stehenden Candidaten fürs heilige Predigtamt schlägt die Executiv-Committee des General-Konzils nach reiflicher Erwägung der ganzen Angelegenheit folgendes vor:
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> Beschlossen, daß das General-Concil diejenigen Synoden, welche bis jetzt ohne Vorkehrungen für solche Fälle sind, ersucht, insofern es ihre Constitutionen erlauben, die nötige Einrichtung zu treffen, daß diejenigen Candidaten, die auf den Ruf einer unserer Innern Missions-Committeen ins Arbeitsfeld treten, wenn nötig, in der Zeit zwischen den jährlichen Synodal-Versammlungen geprüft und ordinirt werden können."

Da nun diese Angelegenheit, nicht nur durch diese Beschlußnahme des General-Concils, sondern auch durch die von dem New Yorker Ministerium erteilte Ordination etlicher Kandidaten, die in unserem Synodalbezirk arbeiten, und bei unserer jetzigen Versammlung um Aufnahme bitten, — vor uns tritt, so erlaube ich mir, die ganz besondere Aufmerksamkeit dieses Ministeriums darauf zu richten.

Im Laufe des verflossenen Synodaljahres wurde etlichen unter uns die ganz besondere Freude, das fünfundzwanzigste Jubiläum ihres Amtes in ihren respektiven Gemeinden zu feiern. Die Gemeinden freuten sich dieser Feste, weil sie ihnen Anlaß gaben, den in so langer Dienstzeit treu erfundenen Seelsorgern die schuldige Anerkennung zu Theil werden zu lassen. Solch ein Fest

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feierte Pastor Philipp Pfatteicher in Easton, im Oktober; Pastor J. J. Kündig in Reading, im November, und Pastor Daniel Sanner im Februar.

Am 9. December erhielt ich einen Brief von einem jungen Advokaten, Herrn H. A. Weller, der den ernstlichen Wunsch aussprach, den in früheren Jahren gehegten Herzensgedanken, Theologie zu studiren, nun zur Ausführung zu bringen, und, wo möglich, privatim, unter der Leitung eines unserer Pastoren. Nachdem ich mit etlichen unserer Pastoren, die in seelsorgerlicher Beziehung zu ihm standen, correspondirt hatte, gelangte ich zur Ueberzeugung, daß es rathsam sei, in diesem Fall die gestattete Ausnahme zu machen, und ich ersuchte deßwegen Pastor Enoch Smith die Leitung seiner Studien zu übernehmen, und er war so freundlich sich dieser Arbeit zu unterziehen.

Am 2. Dezember benachrichtigte mich Pastor S. Laird, Schatzmeister, daß er die Summe von $1500, nebst den Interessen, $37.50, den Betrag einer auf einem in Bethlehem, Pa., liegenden Eigenthum ruhenden mortgage erhalten habe; und am 6. desselben Monats zeigte mir die Finanz-Committee an, daß ich beauftragt sei, in diesem Fall "satisfaction of record" zu geben.

Auf den Rath etlicher Brüder der zweiten Conferenz, ernannte ich Pastor Prof. M. H. Richards als ein Glied der Committee über Lebensbeschreibungen, an die Stelle des Ehrw. Dr. B. Sadtler, der aus dem Gebiet jener Conferenz gezogen war. Prof. Richards war so freundlich diese Arbeit zu übernehmen.

Am 11. März sandte mir Pastor J. Brezing, Präsident der Canada Synode, eine ehrenvolle Entlassung, die er dem Ehrw. J. H. Meyer unter dem Datum 5. März 1886, ausgestellt hatte. Ich schrieb Pastor Meyer, daß ich dieselbe erhalten habe, und ebenso unseren geehrten Herren Sekretären, damit sie, dem Beschluß unserer letzten Ministerialsitzung gemäß, Pastor Meyers Namen in unsere Liste eintragen möchten.

Am 25. März ersuchte mich Pastor P. Ifenschmidt, M.D., ihm ein Zeugniß auszustellen, dahin lautend, daß er und Pastor J. C. Dizinger, als Committee beauftragt sind, die Angelegenheiten und das Eigenthum der aufgelösten deutschen Lutherischen Gemeinde in Chester, Pa., zu übernehmen, indem das Eigenthum derselben, dem charter gemäß, nach solcher Auflösung der Gemeinde, unserem Ministerium zufällt. Da manche Glieder jener gewesenen Gemeinden nicht geneigt sind, diese, von der ersten Conferenz dieses Ministeriums ernannte Committee, anzuerkennen, und derselben das Geld zu übergeben, glaubten die beiden Committee-Glieder, daß ein derartiges Schreiben von großem Nutzen sein würde. Ich stellte ihnen noch an demselben Tage ein solches, mit dem Synodalsiegel versehenes Schreiben, aus.

Am 16. April sandte mir Prof. Dr. C. W. Schäffer eine ihm zugesandte offizielle Anzeige, in welcher Milton Overpeck, Executor, bekannt macht, daß Jonas Linsebigler von Turbut Township, Northumberland Connty, Pa., eine gewisse Summe für unser Theologisches Seminar in Philadelphia hinterlassen habe. Ich schrieb an Herrn Overpeck und nannte ihm die Namen der Beamten dieses Ministeriums, dem inkorporirten Körper, welchem das Seminar angehört.

Am 17. Mai theilte mir Prof. A. Martin mit, daß seine Pflicht als Professor im Pennsylvania College, Pa., es ihm unmöglich machen wird, unserer diesjährigen Versammlung beizuwohnen, und bat mich, jemand an seine Stelle auf der Examinations-Committee zu ernennen. Demgemäß habe ich Pastor Johann Kohler ernannt.

Am 29. Mai, dem Tage seiner Abreise, besuchte mich Herr Prof. Dr. A.

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Späth, und bedauerte es, daß er unserer diesjährigen Versammlung, der er Gottessegen wünscht, nicht beiwohnen kann. Er reist nach Europa, nicht nur um seine betagte Mutter zu besuchen, sondern auch, im Auftrag des mit dem deutschen Hospital in Philadelphia in Verbindung stehenden Diakonissenhauses, eine Anzahl der bedeutendsten Diakonissenanstalten Deutschlands in Augenschein zu nehmen, um einen vollkommenen Einblick in ihre innere Einrichtung zu bekommen. Ich bin überzeugt, daß seine Beobachtungen für das Werk hier zu Lande, für welches auch dieses Ministerium ein warmes Interesse hat, von großer Bedeutung sein werden.

Mühlenberg-College.

Obwohl die Angelegenheiten dieser Anstalt in dem Bericht des Verwaltungsraths ausführlich dargelegt werden, so wird es doch nicht unpassend sein, wenn ich in meinem Berichte etliche Punkte hervorhebe, welche das vergangene Jahr dieser Anstalt auszeichneten. Der erste war die Resignation des Ehrw. B. Sadtler, D.D., der derselben Jahre lang mit anerkannter Tüchtigkeit als Präsident vorstand; und der andere, — die Berufung des Ehrw. Prof. Theo. L. Seip zu seinem Nachfolger. Mir wurde die angenehme Aufgabe zu Theil, den Letzteren am 6. Januar 1886 feierlich in sein Amt einzuführen.

Die Anstalt arbeitet im Segen und verdient in reichem Maße das Wohlwollen und den liberalen Beistand unserer Gemeinden. Erhält dieselbe die nöthige Fundirung und Unterstützung, so wird dieselbe, ohne Zweifel, ein noch weit größerer Segen für unser Ministerium und für die große Bevölkerung, in deren Mitte sie liegt, werden.

Unser Theologisches Seminar.

Da der Bericht der Direktoren den gegenwärtigen Zustand, die Bedürfnisse, Pläne und Aussichten unseres Seminars darlegen wird, so ist es nicht nöthig, daß ich mich näher auf diese Dinge einlasse. Es genügt die Bemerkung, daß in dem verflossenen Jahre verhältnißmäßig geringe Fortschritte hinsichtlich der Errichtung neuer Gebäude gemacht worden sind.

Doch sind dieselben heute ebenso nöthig als je, ja noch mehr denn zuvor, — aber es ist wirklich unmöglich etwas Neues über die Pflicht der Synode in dieser Angelegenheit zu sagen. Der von dem Ministerium berufene Agent, Pastor R. Hill, hat sich alle Mühe gegeben, ein Interesse für die Sache zu erwecken und Subscriptionen zu sammeln, aber es erhoben sich allerlei Hindernisse, alte und neue, und wir sind am heutigen Tage der Ecksteinlegung des neuen Gebäudes nicht näher als vor einem Jahre.

Wenn die diesjährige Versammlung des Ministeriums etwas zur Beseitigung dieser Hindernisse, und zur Erweckung einer mehr einmüthigen und kräftigen Anfassung dieser großen Arbeit von Seiten unserer Pastoren und Gemeinden bewerkstelligen kann, so wird dieselbe etwas Großes und Segensreiches gethan haben.

Das General-Konzil.

Die Delegaten, welche dieses Ministerium auf der letzten Versammlung der allgemeinen Kirchenversammlung vertreten haben, werden, wie gewöhnlich über dieselbe berichten, aber auf einen Punkt muß ich aufmerksam machen' Es wurde den Präsidenten der Distriktssynoden zur Pflicht gemacht, die Be'

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schlüsse, welche das General-Konzil in Bezug auf die einheimische Mission faßte, ihren respektiven Synoden vorzulegen. Da es dieselben Beschlüsse sind, die in dem vorhergehenden Jahre angenommen wurden, und die ich in meinem letztjährigen Bericht vorlegte, so mag es vielleicht genügen, daß ich die Sache nur auf diese kurze Weise zur Sprache bringe. Ist es aber der Wunsch der Synode, daß diese Beschlüsse noch einmal gedruckt werden sollen, so können sie ganz leicht hier eingeschaltet werden.

Die Revision der Synodal-Constitution.

Diese Arbeit, welcher die Synode schon seit zwei jährlichen Versammlungen zwei Vormittage gewidmet hat, ist auch in diesem Jahr zur Tagesordnung, am Freitag und Samstag Vormittag, bestimmt. Die Synode allein kann erklären, ob sie mit diesem langsamen Vorangehen, das viele Jahre in Anspruch nehmen wird, ehe wir eine genügende Constitution haben werden, zufrieden ist.

Das Wohl der Kirche.

Unsere jetzige Constitution, indem sie von den Pflichten des Präsidenten redet, sagt: „Der Präsident erstattet einen schriftlichen Bericht über seine im Laufe des Jahres verrichteten Amtsgeschäfte, und über alle wichtigen Vorfälle, welche sich in Bezug auf diese Synode ereignet haben. Er empfiehlt ihrer Erwägung Maßregeln, die geeignet sind das Wohl der Kirche zu befördern. Da sich nun der größte Theil dieses Berichtes mit solchen „Amtsgeschäften" und „Vorfällen" beschäftigt hat, erlauben Sie mir nun noch zum Schluß Ihnen etliche Punkte vorzulegen, die, nach meiner Ansicht, nicht nur geeignet sind, das Wohl unserer Synode zu befördern, sondern für das wahre Wohl derselben absolut nothwendig sind.

Wir glauben, daß es der Wille unseres Herrn und Heilandes Jesu Christi war, nicht nur eine heilige, unsichtbare Kirche zu sammeln, deren Glieder Ihm allein bekannt sein sollten, sondern daß Seine Jünger auch eine sichtbare Gemeinschaft bilden sollten, zum vereinten Bekenntniß eines und desselben Glaubens, zur gegenseitigen Erbauung, und zur Förderung jedes guten Werkes, besonders der Ausbreitung Seines Reiches. Es ist also dem Willen des Herrn gemäß, und im Einklang mit dem heiligen Geiste, wenn sich die Christen in Gemeinden, seien sie groß oder klein, sammeln, und der Herr hat allen solchen Versammlungen die Verheißung gegeben, daß Er mit Seinem Segen mitten unter ihnen wohnen wolle.

Und obwohl das Neue Testament nirgends die äußerliche Verbindung solcher Gemeinden zu einem größeren Körper vorschreibt, so ist doch aus der Apostelgeschichte und aus den Briefen der Apostel zu ersehen, daß nicht nur einzelne Christen, sondern auch die Gemeinden überall fleißig waren „zu halten die Einigkeit im Geist, durch das Band des Friedens", und gerade deßwegen auch sich bemühten, einander anzuerkennen, zu helfen, und, so weit es möglich war, brüderliche Gemeinschaft zu pflegen, und auch die äußere Einheit in der Aufrechthaltung der von den Aposteln eingeführten Organisation und Gebräuche darzustellen und zu befestigen. So lange die Apostel lebten, obwohl wir keine Spur einer äußerlichen Organisation eines Kirchenkörpers, der die Gemeinden eines besonderen Landes, oder alle christlichen Gemeinden der Welt umfaßt hätte, auffinden können, so dienten doch die Besuche der Apostel, an so vielen Orten, ihre Briefe und ihre Sendboten, wie z. B. Timotheus, Titus und andere dazu, daß die damaligen Gemeinden durch das Band des Friedens

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zusammengehalten wurden, und daß, ohne die Formen und Regeln eines Kirchenregiments, wie wir sie kennen, die zerstreuten Gemeinden jener Zeit dennoch ein Beispiel liebevoller Einigkeit inmitten großer Freiheit darstellten, wie es die Kirche der Nachzeit nie wieder aufweisen konnte.

Doch hat sich derselbe Geist stets in der Kirche gezeigt, und während Menschen nicht ohne Erfolg den Versuch machten, diesen Drang auf eine solche Weise zu controlliren, daß eine mächtige äußerliche Organisation geschaffen wurde, welche Kirchenregenten erforderte, und ihnen Gelegenheit bieten würde, „über das Volk zu herrschen," so sollte dieses uns nicht mit Vorurteil gegen das rechtmäßige Bestreben der Gemeinden erfüllen, wenn sie sich bemühen in der Ausübung ihrer christlichen Freiheit und Liebe durch die Bildung größerer Körper das Wohl der Kirche zu befördern.

In diesem Geiste gründeten unsere Väter vor 139 Jahren dieses Ministerium, weil sie glaubten, daß es für die Prediger und Gemeinden viel besser sein würde, auf diese Weise miteinander verbunden zu sein, als allein zu stehen. Sie wurden dazu geleitet nicht nur durch das Beispiel der Kirche aller Jahrhunderte, und den Drang jener Liebe, die die Forderung stellt, daß diejenigen, die einen Glauben und einen Namen haben, miteinander verbunden sein sollten, sondern auch durch die Gefahren, die sie umgeben, die eine solche Verbindung zur gegenseitigen Ermunterung und Beschützung nöthig machten.

Und der damals gebildete Körper ist bis auf die gegenwärtige Stunde am Leben geblieben und ist wunderbar gewachsen. Doch gibt es nicht wenige, die glauben, daß er etwas von dem Geist der Einigkeit und Kraft, der ihn im Anfang auszeichnete, verloren hat.

„Mögen auch zwei miteinander wandeln, sie seien denn eins unter einander?" Es steht mit einer Synode wie mit einer Gemeinde, einem Staate, einem Lande, und einer Familie. Unter den mancherlei Gaben und Kräften muß eine Einheit vorhanden sein, und die mancherlei Glieder müssen doch schließlich einen Körper bilden, der von einem Geiste beseelt, einem und demselben Ziele entgegenstrebt. Brauche ich es zu sagen, daß es unter uns nicht wenige gibt, die öffentlich und privatim gesagt haben, daß es unserer Synode an jener Einigkeit des Geistes fehlt, wodurch allein eine Synode eine Macht und ein Segen werden kann? Wird uns nicht oft der Vorwurf gemacht, daß dieser große Körper durch sehr lockere Bande zusammengehalten wird, und daß er viel weniger leistet, als man von seiner Größe und Stärke erwarten sollte? Ist dieser Tadel irgendwie begründet?

Liebe Brüder! Erlauben Sie mir mich in aller Offenheit über unsere Synode auszusprechen, in welche ich, in dieser Stadt Easton, vor 38 Jahren aufgenommen wurde und von welcher ich jeden Beweis des Vertrauens und Wohlwollens erhalten habe. Mit allen ihren Mängeln und Unvollkommenheiten hat sie doch Großes geleistet, viel mehr als man zur Zeit meiner Aufnahme als möglich gehalten hätte. Sie hat sich in dieser Zeit viel fester auf den Grund unserer kirchlichen Bekenntnisse gebaut; muthig und mit Erfolg ging sie voran in dem Kampf gegen ein falsches Lutherthum und in der Gründung des General-Concils; sie hat ein theologisches Seminar gegründet und seither erhalten, das ein unberechenbarer Segen für die ganze lutherische Kirche in Amerika geworden ist; sie legte den Grund zu unserem „Kirchenbuch"; und hat durch das Collegium zu Allentown und das Werk der Barmherzigkeit in Germantown viel Gutes gestiftet. An alle diese Dinge dürfen und sollten wir uns dankbar erinnern. Wäre nicht eine bedeutende Einigkeit im Geiste

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vorhanden gewesen, so wären diese großen Dinge gewiß nicht zu Stande gekommen.

Und doch ist Grund vorhanden zu befürchten, daß der warme Enthusiasmus, der uns mit Gottes Hülfe in den Stand setzte diese Dinge zu vollbringen, schon eine Zeitlang im Schwinden ist und daß unser Körper, obwohl er jetzt größer als je ist, keine hinreichende Beweise seiner Kraft an den Tag legt.

Man wird sich oft erst dann eines Mangels der Kraft bewußt, wenn eine besondere Anstrengung zu machen ist, und so haben auch wir unsere Schwäche gefühlt, als wir den Beschluß faßten, ein großes Werk in Angriff zu nehmen. Wir haben wohl viele Glieder, aber sie strengen sich nicht an und ziehen nicht alle wie ein Mann. Wir haben viele Streiter, aber wir haben es noch nicht dahin gebracht, daß sie alle miteinander Schritt halten und eine solide Front darbieten. Manche stehen allein und wieder andere weigern sich mehr zu thun, als sich mit kleineren Schaaren für Lokalzwecke zu verbinden. Die versammelte Synode nimmt gewisse Pläne an und beschließt, daß der Körper eine gewisse Bewegung vornehmen soll, — wenn aber die Stunde des Treffens schlägt, stellt es sich heraus, daß die meisten Truppen, auf die man sich verließ, entweder in ihren Zelten ruhen oder in anderen Richtungen thätig sind.

Angesichts dieser unleugbaren Thatsachen, halte ich es für meine Pflicht, die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode darauf zu richten und dieselbe zu ermahnen, zu thun, was in ihren Kräften liegt, Einigkeit der Gesinnung und des Handelns zu fördern und alles zu beseitigen, was zur Trennung der Gemüter und zur Unwirksamkeit führt.

Es kann wohl in Bezug auf jeden Prediger und jede Gemeinde unseres Körpers gesagt werden, daß ihr Anschluß an denselben ihr freiwilliger Act war, und ebenso, daß sie das Recht haben, die gesetzmäßigen Schritte, die zum Austritt führen, zu thun. Aber, so lange ein Prediger oder eine Gemeinde Glied dieser Synode ist, ist derselbe oder dieselbe verpflichtet ein treues Glied zu sein, welches die Beschlüsse der Synode respectirt und von ganzem Herzen und mit aller Kraft bereit ist, das Wohl derselben zu befördern.

Die Synode selber sollte dafür sorgen, daß ihre Beschlüsse respectirt werden und ihre Autorität anerkannt werde. Sie sollte Niemand in dem Wahn lassen, daß sie nur ein aus Sand gewobenes Band ist. Viel besser wäre es eine kleinere Anzahl Prediger und Gemeinden zu haben, die aber eines Sinnes sind und bereit sind miteinander zu stehen, zu gehen, zu arbeiten und zu kämpfen wie ein Mann, als einen großen Körper, dem es an Einigkeit des Geistes und dem rechten Zusammenwirken fehlt. Möge ein jeder Prediger und jeder Abgeordnete einer Gemeinde bis zum Schlusse der Synode auf seinem Posten bleiben und das Seinige beitragen, damit die Einigkeit im Geiste durch das Band des Friedens erhalten, alles, was zur Störung desselben führen könnte, vermieden und die gesegnete Wirksamkeit der Synode befördert werde.

Brüder, wir haben eine große Arbeit vor uns und die Synode erwartet von einem jeden unter uns, daß er seine Pflicht thue. Lasset uns den Herrn anrufen, damit Er uns gebe den Geist der Weisheit und ein großes Maß der Liebe, auf daß wir mit aller Geduld, Sorgfalt und Gründlichkeit berathen mögen. Haben wir dann, als eine Synode, mit allem Ernste beschlossen etwas zu thun, so wolle Er uns Gnade schenken, dasselbe in consequenter Weise und mit aller Treue zur Ausführung zu bringen!

G. F. Krotel.

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Nach Verlesung obigen Berichtes schritt die Synode zur Wahl der Beamten und der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte die Pastoren D. L. Coleman, M. L. Zweizig, E. L. Reed, T. E. Schmauk und die Laien-Delegaten M. F. Trexler und Fr. Doerr als Committee, um die Stimmzettel entgegenzunehmen.

Auf Antrag des Pastors loci wurde beschlossen, daß die Vormittagssitzungen von 8½ bis 11½ Uhr; die Nachmittagssitzungen von 2 bis 5 Uhr und die Abendgottesdienste um 7½ Uhr gehalten werden.

Die Examinations-Committee stellte den Antrag, daß gleich nach der Vertagung der gegenwärtigen Sitzung eine Ministerial-Sitzung gehalten werde, um einen Bericht von ihr entgegenzunehmen. Der Antrag wurde zum Beschluß erhoben, worauf sich die Synode mit Gebet von Prof. W. J. Mann, D.D., vertagte.

Zweite Sitzung.

Freitag, den 18. Juni, Vorm. 8½ Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gesang und Gebet von Pastor J. W. Haßler in englischer Sprache eröffnet, worauf die Verhandlungen der ersten Sitzung vom deutschen Secretär verlesen und wie verlesen angenommen wurden.

Mehrere Delegaten reichten ihre Beglaubigungsschreiben ein.

Pastor G. F. Spieker ersuchte den Präsidenten, der Synode in wenigen Worten die Verhandlungen der gestrigen Ministerial-Sitzung zu erklären, welches auch geschah.

Auf Vorschlag wurde beschlossen, daß der Bericht des Schatzmeisters gehört werde, ehe die Synode zur regelmäßigen Ordnung der Geschäfte, nämlich zur Besprechung der Synodal-Ordnung, schreite.

Der Schatzmeister der Synode, Pastor Sam. Laird, D.D., verlas hierauf seinen jährlichen Bericht, welcher lautet wie folgt:

Bericht des Schatzmeisters

Samuel Laird in Rechnung mit dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien. Vom 16. Juli 1885 bis 16. Juni 1886.

I. Allgemeiner Fond.

Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
Vom vorherigen Schatzmeister erhalten	$8,276 79	Mühlenberg Collegium	$1,000 00
Beiträge von Gemeinden	6,954 84	Zinsen für Seminar-Anleihen	1,283 70
Prämien für deutsches Gesangbuch	1,275 49	Einlösung eines unbezahlten Checks	58 09
Prämien für engl. Katechismus (G. W. Frederick)	35 30	Anlagen auf Rechnung des Erziehungsfonds	240 00
Prämien für deutschen Katechismus (Brobst, Diehl & Co.)	20 00	Abgegeben an Einheimische Mission	4,501 32
		Abgegeben an Erziehungskasse	4,544 00
Uebertrag	$16,562 42	Uebertrag	$11,627 11

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Vortrag	$16,562 42	Vortrag	$11,627 11
Missions-Fest-Committee der zweiten Conferenz	50 00	Abgegeben an Pastoren- und Wittwen-Kasse	515 77
Zinsen von deponirten Geldern	32 52	Druck der Verhandlungen	549 50
		Ausgaben der Synodal-Beamten	89 56
		Ausgaben des Secretärs des Executiv-Committees	12 45
		Ausgaben des Delegaten an das N. Y.-Ministerium	21 50
		Druck der Wahlzettel	1 50
		Abschreiben der englischen Verhandlungen	10 00
		Kirchendiener, Allentown	10 00
		Bezahlt auf Rechnung d. Pastoren- u. Wittwen-Fond	125 00
		Gehalt des Schatzmeisters	293 46
		Neue Box für Aufbewahren der Sicherheiten der Synode	4 25
		Abgegeben an Rechnung des deutschen Professors	20 00
		Baar in der Kasse	3,364 84
	$16,644.94		$16,644 94

II. Einheimische Missionskasse.

Beiträge von Gemeinden	$773 56	Mehrausgabe nach Rechnung des früheren Schatzmeisters	$ 697 58
Zinsen	130 00	Missionen der Synode	2,440 63
Aus dem Allgemeinen Fond	4,501 32	Philadelphia Stadt-Missionen	2,266 67
	$5,404 88		$5,404 88

III. Heiden-Mission.

Vom früheren Schatzmeister erhalten	$1,478 34	Ausbezahlt an den Schatzmeister der Heiden-Missions-Committee	$3,000 00
Zinsen	77 58	Baar in der Kasse	155 71
Beiträge von Gemeinden	1,599 87		
	$3,155 71		$3,155 71

IV. Erziehungs-Kasse.

Baar in der Kasse vom letzten Jahr	$ 460 17	Studenten im Seminar	$3,550 00
Beiträge von Gemeinden	314 00	Studenten im Mühlenberg Collegium	2,057 87
Zinsen vom Bremer-Fond	25 00		
Dividende	264 70		
Vom Allgemeinen Fond ausbezahlt	4,544 00		
	$5,607 87		$5,607 87

V. Pastoren-Wittwen- und Waisenkasse.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr	$ 281 73	Ausbezahlt an Wittwen	$ 675 00
Beiträge	27 50	An Pastor F. H. Voß	150 00
Aus dem Allgemeinen Fond	515 17		
	$825 00		$825 00

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VI. Englisches Gesangbuch-Kasse.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr....	$ 521 68	Druckarbeiten.....	$ 33 00
Für Prämien.....	810 25	Baar in der Kasse	1,298 93
	$1,331 93		$1,331 93

VII. Deutsche Professur im Mühlenberg-Collegium.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr....	439 00	Ausbezahlt an Prof. Wackernagel	$724 24
Beiträge	380 00	Baar in der Kasse	95 00
	$819 24		$819 24

VIII. Kasse des Theologischen Seminars.

1. Laufende Einnahmen und Ausgaben.

Einnahmen von fundirtem Kapital.....	$5,781 23	Kasse überzogen nach letztjährigem Schatzm.-Bericht.....	$ 975 82
Beiträge von Gemeinden.....	161 97	Gehalt der Professoren.....	3,950 00
Von der Pittsburg-Synode.....	115 00	Gehalt des Seminardieners für 11 Monate.....	229 16
Vom N. Y.-Ministerium.....	45 00	Kohlen und Gas.....	728 96
Interessen.....	90 86	Wasser-Rente.....	44 00
	$6,194 06	Reparaturen ꝛc.....	401 58
Kasse überzogen.....	135 46		
	$6,239 52		$6,329 52

2. Rechnung über das Fundirungs-Kapital

Empfangen vom früheren Schatzmeister.....	$13,038 76	Neu angelegte Gelder.....	$14,620 00
Betrag wiederbezahlter Hypotheken.....	6,600 00	Baar in der Kasse.....	5,018 76
	$19,638 76		$19,638 76

3. Rechnung über den neuen Seminarbau.

Vom früheren Schatzmeister erhalten.....	$2,450 74	Rest der Summe für Bauplatz	$5,613 09
Erhalten vom Agenten, Past. R. Hill.....	9,982 65	Gehalt des Agenten.....	2,000 00
		Drucksachen ꝛc.....	143 57
		Baar in der Kasse.....	4,676 73
	$12,433 39		$12,433 39

4. Bibliothek-Fond.

Vom früheren Schatzmeister erhalten.....	$101 50	Für Bücher für d. Seminar-Bibliothek.....	$ 30 50
Zinsen.....	77 00	Baar in der Kasse.....	148 00
	$178 50		$178 50

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Zusammenstellung.

Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
Allgemeiner Fond	$16,644 94	Allgemeiner Fond	$ 3,719 01
Einheimische Mission	903 56	Einheimische Mission	5,404 88
Heiden-Mission	3,155 71	Heiden-Mission	3,000 00
Erziehung	1,063 87	Erziehung	5,607 87
Wittwen und Waisen	309 23	Wittwen und Waisen	825 00
Englisches Kirchenbuch	1,331 93	Englisches Kirchenbuch	33 09
Deutsche Professur	819 24	Deutsche Professur	724 24
Seminar, laufende Einnahmen und Ausgaben	6,194 06	Laufende Einnahmen u. Ausgaben des Seminars	6,329 52
Fundirungs-Kapital	19,638 76	Fundirungs-Kapital	14,620 00
Seminarbau	12,433 39	Seminarbau	7,756 66
Bibliothek	178 56	Bibliothek	30 50
	$62,673 19		$62,673 19

Die Beiträge der Gemeinden zu den verschiedenen Synodalfonds sind von nachstehenden Pastoren vom 16. Juli 1885 bis 16. Juni 1886 empfangen worden:

Pastor W. J. Andres	$ 137 00	Pastor O. Leopold	50 00
„ J. M. Anspach	100 00	„ L. Lindenstruth	55 00
„ B. F. Apple	28 14	„ A. Linz	10 00
„ O. D. Bartholomew	50 00	„ A. J. Long	55 99
„ J. F. Bayer	25 00	„ O. D. Miller	50 00
„ F. R. Berndt	70 00	„ W. A. C. Müller	17 00
„ C. K. Binder	20 00	„ W. H. Myers	25 00
„ J. W. Bieber	246 00	„ J. H. Neiman	88 94
„ W. J. Bieber	150 00	„ J. E. Nidecker	628 37
„ G. A. Brügel	100 00	„ S. E. Ochsenford	50 00
„ H. H. Bruning	31 00	„ J. F. Ohl	103 96
„ C. J. Cooper	114 55	„ A. B. Pflüger	73 02
„ J. C. Dizinger	15 00	„ J. G. Pfuhl	50 00
„ J. W. Early	40 13	„ M. D. Rath	66 00
„ J. R. S. Erb	50 00	„ W. Rath	100 00
„ J. S. Erb	125 00	„ E. L. Reed	25 00
„ A. E. Erdmann	33 00	„ W. M. Rehrig	10 00
„ H. R. Fegely	153 39	„ D. H. Reiter	100 00
„ H. S. Fegely	125 00	„ W. Rieb	201 75
„ G. D. Foust	25 00	„ S. A. Repaß, D D	307 50
„ W B. For	200 00	„ C. E. Sandt	28 50
„ J. Fry. D.D	800 00	„ C. W. Schäffer D.D	25 00
„ J. H. Gable	120 60	„ W. A. Schäffer	30 00
„ G. F. Gardner	25 00	„ F. J. F. Schantz	146 66
„ J. B. German	60 00	„ J. D. Schindel	150 00
„ H. Gieß	122 50	„ B. W. Schmauk	410 00
„ A. R. J. Gräpp	39 22	„ T. E. Schmauk	
„ H. Grahn	48 12	„ J. H. Schmidt	6 80
„ J. Gruhler	25 00	„ G. S. Seaman	56 36
„ S. S. Henry	23 11	„ J. R. Shoffner	25 00
„ G. A. Hinterleitner	15 00	„ E. E. Sibole	450 00
„ C. J. Hirzel	25 00	„ J. L. Sibole	45 23
„ T. T. Jäger	100 00	„ E. Smith	151 62
„ P. Ifenschmid. M. D	59 50	„ L. Smith	23 75
„ B. E. Kramlich	225 00	„ B. S. Smoll	20 00
„ G. F. Krotel, D.D	500 00	„ E. H. Smoll	35 00
„ J. H. Kuder	60 00	„ G. F. Spieker	74 15
„ D. Kuntz	115 00	„ D. M. Stettler	30 00
„ S. Laird, D.D	1,000 00	„ S. B. Stupp	10 22

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Pastor J. H. Umbenhen	93 60	Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß	162 85
„ J. L. Upp	32 15	St. Thomas-Gemeinde, Germantown	20 00
„ W. Wackernagel, D.D.	48 50		
„ H. Weickfel	65 00		

Folgende Beiträge wurden für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors im Mühlenberg-Collegium empfangen:

Pastor W. J. Andres	$25 00	Pastor J. E. Nidecker	50 00
„ J. L. Becker	20 00	„ J. F. Ohl	10 00
„ J. W. Bieber	10 00	„ A. V. Pflüger	10 00
„ W. J. Bieber	5 00	„ J. G. Pfuhl	15 00
„ G. A. Brügel	10 00	„ D. H. Reiter	10 00
„ J. W. Early	5 00	„ W. Rieb	25 00
„ J. N. S. Erb	20 00	„ F. J. F. Schantz	20 00
„ J. S. Erb	5 00	„ J. D. Schindel	20 00
„ H. N. Fegely	10 00	„ B. W. Schmauk }	25 00
„ H. S. Fegely	5 00	„ T. E. Schmauk }	
„ J. B. German	5 00	„ E. Smith	20 00
„ P. Ifenschmid, M. D.	5 00	„ D. M. Stett'er	5 00
„ L. Lindenstruth	10 00	„ J. L. Upp	10 00
„ J. H. Reiman	5 00	„ S. A. Ziegenfuß	20 00

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und nachher einer Committee übergeben.

Die Wahl-Committee berichtete, daß Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D.D., als Präsident und Pastor S. Laird, D.D., als Schatzmeister erwählt seien, daß aber die Wahl für Secretäre kein Resultat ergab. Eine zweite Wahl mußte deßhalb für Secretäre anberaumt werden. Pastor C. J. Cooper, der englische Secretär und Pastor F. P. Mayser, der deutsche Secretär, wurden auf ihren eigenen Wunsch nicht wieder erwählt, Ersterer, da er Finanzagent des Mühlenberg-Collegiums und Letzterer, da er Präsident der Vierten Conferenz ist.

Auf Antrag von Pastor R. Hill wurde die Besprechung der Synodal-Constitution, welche an der Ordnung war, bis auf Weiteres aufgeschoben, um die wichtige Angelegenheit des neuen Seminars jetzt vorzunehmen.

Ehe Dr. B. M. Schmucker den Bericht der Direktoren des theologischen Seminars vorlegte, verlas Dr. W. J. Mann den

Bericht des Archivarius.

Hochwürdiger Herr Präsident!

Die mir von dem englischen Secretär, Herr Pastor C. J. Cooper, im September 1885 zugesandten Documente, Briefe, Berichte u. s. w., welche dem zu Allentown, Pa., im Jahre 1885 versammelten Ministerium waren vorgelegt worden, wurden von mir in gehöriger Ordnung im Archiv der Synode deponirt.

Die Erfahrung einer Anzahl von Jahren macht es mir einleuchtend, daß, wenn nur diejenigen Dokumente, die der Synode vorgelegt werden, im Archiv aufbewahrt werden sollen, verhältnißmäßig wenig Material, das sich auf die Geschichte der Synode, ihrer Gemeinden, Anstalten u. s. f. bezieht, durch dasselbe für die Zukunft wird aufbewahrt werden. Da ein bedeutender Theil alles dessen, was vorher von der Synode behandelt wurde,

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jetzt in den Geschäftskreis der Distrikts-Konferenzen gehört, so ist klar, daß im Interesse der Geschichte der Kirche entweder die Conferenzen ihre eigenen Archive haben oder daß die Protocollbücher, Documente, Berichte u. s. w. derselben im Archiv der Synode als dem allgemeinen Sammelplatz des historischen Materials der Kirche sollten niedergelegt werden. Gestatten Sie mir, hochwürdiger Herr, diesen Punkt der Beachtung der ehrw. Versammlung unter Ihrer Leitung anzuempfehlen.

Am 9. dieses gegenwärtigen Monats wurde mir eine ziemliche Anzahl von Documenten u. s. f., die der I. Districts-Conferenz angehören, vom Ehrw. F. P. Bender, Pastor der St. Mich.-Kirche zu Philadelphia, zugestellt und sie wurden von mir dem Archiv einverleibt. Dieß veranlaßt mich hier mitzutheilen, daß das ganze umfassende Material, aus welchem unser Synodal-Archiv besteht und welches etwas mehr als 80 Jahre der Geschichte dieser Synode repräsentirt, dermalen, gehörig geordnet nach der Reihe von Jahren, in etwa fünfundzwanzig ansehnlichen und starken Kasten von Pappendeckel niedergelegt ist. Sollte nun künftig auch das Material der Districts-Conferenzen unserem Archiv beigefügt, aber abgesondert, wie sehr zu wünschen wäre, in demselben gehalten werden, so möchte eine unbedeutende Ausgabe dem dabei eintretenden Bedürfnisse genügen.

Durch den guten Willen einzelner Geber sind den im Archiv vorhandenen Documenten und Druckschriften einige werthvolle Beiträge zugeflossen.

Am 10. Juni 1885 kam mir von unbekannter Hand eine jetzt gewiß sehr seltene Druckschrift zu: Allgemeine christl. Wahrheiten u. s. w. Gedruckt zu Germantown. Christoph Saur, 1748.

Am 6. Juli 1885 übergab mir der Ehrw. W. A. Schäffer, Pastor zu St. Stevens, Philadelphia, einen von ihm selbst geschriebenen „Histor. Bericht der ev.-luth. Gemeinde farbiger Leute zu Easton, Pa., bis 1877", der er als Pastor der ev.-luth. Christus-Kirche daselbst zugleich gedient hatte.

Der Ehrw. Joh. Christoph Kunze, D.D., Pastor der ev.-luth. St. Mich.- und Zions-Gemeinde zu Philadelphia von 1770 bis 1784, gründete daselbst im Jahre 1773 eine klassische Schule oder Academie mit der Absicht, in derselben junge Männer für das Studium der Theologie und den Dienst der lutherischen Kirche vorzubereiten. Zu diesem Zwecke wurde eine Gesellschaft organisirt, Beiträge gesammelt und die Arbeit begonnen. Der Fortgang dieses alle Anerkennung verdienenden Unternehmens wurde durch den Ausbruch des Unabhängigkeitskrieges verhindert. Das Protocollbuch der Gesellschaft führte Dr. Kunze selbst und nahm es mit sich nach New York, als er im Jahre 1784 als Pastor der Trinitatis-Kirche dorthin berufen wurde. Am 20. Januar laufenden Jahres machten seine Nachkommen dieses Buch, einen Folioband, dem theologischen Seminar zu Philadelphia zum Geschenk. Die Facultät drückte den Gebern ihren Dank aus und beauftragte mich, dasselbe, das theils in deutsch, theils in englisch verfaßt ist, dem Archive einzuverleiben.

Dort deponirte ich auch ein "Memorandum Book" des Ehrw. Dr. J. F. Schmidt, Pastor der St. Mich.- und Zions-Gemeinde zu Philadelphia von 1786 bis 1812. Dasselbe, dessen Geber mir unbekannt blieb, enthält des Verfassers Amtshandlungen vom Januar 1792 bis Dezember 1797.

Auch eine Gedenkschrift unseres entschlafenen Bruders, des Ehrw. Samuel Yingling, geboren den 14. Okt. 1819, gestorben den 11. Sept.

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1884, geschrieben von dem Ehrw. J. W. Haßler, Pastor der ev.-luth. Gemeinde zu New Holland, Pa., wurde im Archiv niedergelegt.

Mit ausgezeichneter Hochachtung Ihr

W. J. Mann,
Archivarius der Synode.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und die Aufmerksamkeit der Conferenzen auf einen letztjährigen Beschluß bezüglich der Documente, welche sie in Händen haben mögen, gelenkt.

Die Wahlaufseher berichteten, daß noch kein Wahlresultat für die Sekretäre erlangt sei. Pastor E. Smith, Präsident der II. Conferenz, wurde erlaubt, seinen Namen als Candidat zurückzuziehen, da er Präsident einer Conferenz ist.

Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D.D., verlas den

Bericht der Direktoren des Theologischen Seminars.

Jährlicher Bericht der Direktoren des theologischen Seminars für das am Juni 1886 endende Jahr. Special-Versammlung, den 12. April 1886.

Auf das Gesuch der Bau-Committee berief der Präsident das Direktoriums, dessen Versammlung am 12. April in der „Heiligen Communion-Kirche" stattfand.

Gegenwärtig waren 13 Cleriker und 12 Laien von dieser Synode, die Glieder der Facultät und der Agent.

Die Gegenstände, welche der Versammlung zur Erwägung vorgelegt wurden, sind folgende:

1. Die Wiedererwägung der Localität des neuen Seminar-Gebäudes.
2. Vorkehrungen zu treffen, um einen erweiterten Unterrichtskursus in der deutschen Sprache im Seminar einzuführen.
3. Das Werk des Agenten und die Herbeischaffung der zum neuen Seminarbau erforderlichen Summen.

Ad 1. Die Nachtheile des für das neue Seminar erwählten Bauplatzes wurden von mehreren Gliedern des Directoriums vorgelegt. Derselbe wurde in Augenschein genommen und nach eingehender Besprechung wurde entschieden, daß die Bau-Committee die Vor- und Nachtheile des bereits angekauften Grundstückes untersuchen und gegeneinander abwägen soll; ebenso auch sich erkundigen, ob ein käuflicher Platz in anderer Lage größere Vortheile gewährt. Von dem Resultat ihrer Untersuchung soll sodann bei der jährlichen Versammlung der Directoren ein Bericht erstattet werden.

Die Aussetzungen an dem erworbenen Bauplatze sind, wie folgt: Die wahrscheinlichen Veränderungen, die in kommenenden Jahren eintreten werden, verursachen eine Vermehrung der Eisenbahn-Züge, wodurch die Stille und Annehmlichkeit gestört und gemindert wird. Die jetzt noch für den Zweck günstige Lage wird dann auch wesentlich durch nicht wünschenswerthe Umgebungen beeinträchtigt werden. Die Verschaffung des nöthigen Wasserbedarfs, sowie die Kanalisirung zum Ablaufe würde schwierig und darum kostspielig sein; Gradierung, Seitenwege, Einzäunungen erforderten ebenfalls große Ausgaben.

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Auch ist zu erwägen, daß die solchem hervorragenden Platze entsprechenden Gebäude größere Summen kosten würden, als wir der jetzigen Aussicht zufolge zu erschwingen im Stande sein werden.

Ad 2. Die Besprechung des zweiten Punktes wurde bis zur jährlichen Versammlung verschoben.

Ad 3. Der Agent berichtete von vielfachen Hindernissen und Entmuthigungen, daß eine Committee ernannt wurde, zu untersuchen, in welcher Weise die Sammlung der Baukosten betrieben wird, und auch zu berichten, ob irgend welche Abänderungen oder Verbesserungen gemacht werden können, welche dem Directorium, wie der Synode, vorgeschlagen werden sollen. Diese Committee wurde ferner beauftragt, eine Committee zu organisiren, die aus Laien von einer jeden lutherischen Gemeinde in Philadelphia bestehen und mit der Synode verbunden sein soll, und deren Zweck sein würde, den Agenten in der Ausführung seiner Aufgabe in Philadelphia zu unterstützen.

Es wurden betreffs der letzten Instruction sogleich Schritte zur Ausführung gethan und Maßregeln getroffen, Repräsentanten aus jeder Gemeinde zu gewinnen, welche von den respectiven Kirchenräthen erwählt, zusammen eine solche Committee bilden sollen.

Jahres-Versammlung, gehalten den 14. und 15. Juni 1886.

Bei der jährlichen Versammlung, im Seminar gehalten, waren anwesend sämmtliche Clerikale und 12 Laien-Directoren zu unserer Synode gehörend, und ein Clerikaler und ein Laien-Director von dem New Yorker Ministerium. Die Facultät berichtete, daß der Unterricht im Seminar vom 17. September 1885 bis 15. Juni 1886, nur von den gewöhnlichen Ferien unterbrochen, regelmäßig gehalten wurde. Die ganze Anzahl der Studenten betrug 62. Einer starb während des Jahres und ein anderer erwählte sonst einen Beruf. In der Seniorenklasse befanden sich 20, welche am Schlusse des Studienjahres graduirten; in der Mittelklasse waren 19 und in der Juniorenklasse 21 Studenten. Der Besuch der Vorlesungen, Fleiß und Fortschritt war recht erfreulich, der Gesundheits-Zustand ziemlich gut, obgleich die der Gesundheit schädlichen Einflüsse, dem Gebäude und der Umgebung eigen, empfunden wurden. Ein neuer Hausmeister wurde angestellt, welcher bisher zur Zufriedenheit seinen Dienst versah.

Ein Tag von den zweien der Sitzung des Directoriums wurde mit der Prüfung der Studenten hingebracht, und das Ergebniß derselben war recht gut. Der Bericht der Committee, in Nummer 3 erwähnt, wurde eingereicht und darüber eingehend verhandelt, sowie beschlossen, denselben der Synode zur Erwägung vorzulegen. Derselbe ist dem Bericht des Directoriums beigefügt.

Die Bau-Committee legte durch den Agenten ihren Jahresbericht vor, welcher ebenfalls vollständig mit diesem eingereicht wird. Daraus ist zu ersehen, daß der Agent im Laufe des Jahres $10,182.65 erhalten hat; von dem früheren Schatzmeister, J. B. Rath, $1,169.65, was für das Synodal-Jahr im Ganzen $11,352.30 beträgt. Alle seit Anfang eingegangenen Gelder, von Pastor J. Fry, Schatzmeister, empfangen, sind $7,737.25; Pastor J. B. Rath, Schatzmeister, $11,537.44; durch den Agenten, $13,313.65; im Ganzen erhalten, $32,585.44.

Davon wurde bis jetzt ausbezahlt: Für das Grundstück, $24,464.41; für Interessen und Steuern, $297.65; für Bücher und Druckkosten, $58.32; Ge-

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halt und Auslagen des Agenten, $3,091.20; im Ganzen ausgegeben, $27,911.61; bleibt in der Kasse die Summe von $4,676.73.

Das für den Bau angekaufte Grundstück ist nun ein schuldenfreies Eigenthum und frei von jeglichen Belastungen. Die Einnahmen für den Baufond werden von dem Agenten folgender Weise dargestellt: Ueberschuß in der Kasse, $4,676.73; bei der Synode in Reading gezeichnet, $2,425.00; Unterschriften in den Büchern des Agenten, $4,000.00; andere Subscriptionen und collectirte Gelder, $4,300.00; mündlich versprochen, aber noch nicht unterschriebene Leistungen, $3,000.00; die Gesammteinnahmen und versprochenen oder unterzeichneten Summen für die Baukasse sind $18,401.73.

Die Bau-Committee, welche den Auftrag erhalten hat, andere Plätze für die neuen Seminargebäude als das bereits angekaufte Grundstück in Augenschein zu nehmen, führte in ihrem Bericht 20 Localitäten auf mit Angabe der Größe, der Lage und des Kaufpreises. Vornehmlich wurde ein Besitzthum auf Mount Airy an Germantown Avenue, 432½ Fuß Front, 538 Fuß tief an der einen Seite, und der andern 700 Fuß, ca. 5 Acker, 3 Ruthen, 4½ Rods, empfohlen. Darauf ist ein großes steinernes Wohnhaus, eine steinerne Scheuer u. s. w. errichtet, Schatten- und andere Bäume zieren den Platz, der auch mit Wasser- und Gasleitung versehen und von einer Steinmauer umschlossen ist. Der Preis dafür beträgt $35,000.

Eine vollständige Beschreibung dieses Eigenthums wurde gegeben, sowie die Vorzüge, welche dieses für unsern Zweck vor dem bereits gekauften hat. Ebenfalls war in dem Bericht ein Plan hinzugefügt, nach welchem die zum Ankauf erforderliche Summe aufgebracht werden kann.

Das Directorium besuchte den vorgeschlagenen Platz und nach reiflicher Erwägung dieser Sache wurde beschlossen, daß der Synode der Ankauf dieses Eigenthums auf Mount Airy und der Verkauf des bereits erworbenen, nahe der 52. Straße empfohlen werden soll.

Der Plan, nach welchem die zum Ankauf nöthige Summe aufgebracht werden kann, wurde ausgearbeitet, um der Synode vorgelegt zu werden.

Die Frage hinsichtlich eines erweiterten Unterrichts in der deutschen Sprache im Seminar wurde lange erörtert, da man vernommen, daß wegen der gegenwärtigen Einrichtung und Gebrauchs der deutschen Sprache beim Unterricht Unzufriedenheit herrscht, und die Constitution des Seminars ausdrücklich verlangt, „daß der Unterricht in der deutschen und englischen Sprache gleichmäßig und so weit als möglich vollständig ertheilt werden soll." Ferner wurde dargethan, daß, besonders in den letzten Jahren, dieser Forderung nicht entsprochen wurde. Wenn solches geschähe und man wirksamere, geeignetere Vorkehrungen für den Unterricht deutscher Studenten treffen würde, so würde sich die Zahl solcher Studenten vermehren, das Seminar in den Stand setzen, den Bedürfnissen deutscher Gemeinden besser entsprechen zu können und dadurch die Unzufriedenheit beseitigen. Auf diese Darlegung wurde besonders von den Professoren erwidert, daß, wenn ein vollständiger Lehrkursus in beiden Sprachen eingeführt werden soll, so wären auch zwei Facultäten nöthig; daß es für die gegenwärtige Facultät rein unmöglich ist, in beiden Sprachen nebeneinander einen vollständigen Unterricht zu ertheilen; daß auch die sprachliche Befähigung der Studenten sehr verschieden ist, indem einem Theil derselben die Kenntniß der deutschen Sprache gänzlich mangelt, andere, besonders aus den Landgemeinden Pennsylvaniens, sind wohl mit dem sogenannten „Pennsylvanisch-Deutschen" bekannt, verstehen aber nicht die hochdeutsche Sprache, die

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zum theologischen Unterricht erforderlich ist; wieder andere Studenten ermangeln der Kenntniß der englischen Sprache. Durch diese Verschiedenheit der sprachlichen Befähigung der Studenten würde das Wirken der Professoren mit den größten Schwierigkeiten verbunden sein, wie leicht zu ersehen ist. Die Professoren erklärten, wie sie sich treulich bemüht haben, Alles zu thun, was unter den gegenwärtigen Verhältnissen zu thun möglich war. Sie behaupteten auch, daß die Erfolge in dieser Sache nicht so unbefriedigend gewesen sind, als wie man manchmal gemeint hat. Die ganze Angelegenheit wurde der Synode zur geeigneten Lösung übergeben.

Der Schatzmeister des New Yorker Ministeriums berichtete, daß die Summe von $777.53 an dem Gehalt des Professors bezahlt worden ist, und daß der gegenwärtige Betrag der Fundirungssumme $6770.84 beträgt.

Das Directorium empfiehlt der Synode die Bitte der Facultät, ihr eine Summe von $200 zu gewähren, die zu ihrer Verfügung gestellt werde, davon arme Studenten in Ausnahmsfällen zu unterstützen, was bisher auf dem gewöhnlichen Weg nicht erreicht werden konnte.

Die Synode wird ersucht, eine Committee zu ernennen und diese zu beauftragen, im Namen der Synode solche Schritte zu thun, die in der Sache des „Singmaster Vermächtnisses" nothwendig werden mögen.

Die Dienstzeit von 5 Geistlichen und 5 Laien-Directoren ist abgelaufen. Zwei Studenten, welche unter außerordentlichen Umständen ins Seminar aufgenommen worden sind, werden von der Facultät und den Directoren als unterstützungsbedürftig der Synode empfohlen.

Die Wahlaufseher berichteten folgendes Resultat:

Als englischer Secretär, Pastor J. W. Early; als deutscher Secretär, Pastor L. Lindenstruth.

Der Bericht der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars wurde nun zur Besprechung vorgenommen.

Ueber den Punkt, welcher sich auf das neue Seminar bezieht, wurde auf Wunsch zuerst verhandelt.

Es wurde einstimmig

Beschlossen, daß der Vorschlag der Direktoren, welcher dahin lautet, das Grundstück in Mt. Airy für das neue Seminargebäude anzukaufen, und das Grundstück an der 52. Straße, West Philadelphia, zu verkaufen, hiemit angenommen werde.

Ein Gesuch von zwölf deutschen Gemeinden um Erlaubniß eine oder mehrere deutsche Conferenzen bilden zu dürfen, wurde vom deutschen Secretär verlesen und einer Committee, bestehend aus den Präsidenten der 5 Distrikts-Conferenzen, Ehrw. D. K. Kepner, E. Smith, B. E. Kramlich, F. P. Mayser und A. P. Pflüger, übergeben.

Der Präsident ernannte folgende Committeen:

1. Ueber den Jahresbericht des Präsidenten: Die Pastoren: Dr. H. E. Jakobs, G. A. Hinterleitner, E. Smith, H. Grahn, G. A. Darmstätter, D. H. Geissinger, Wm. A. Schäffer, W. H. Myers und die Laien-Delegaten: H. Lehman, L. H. Ließ, J. C. File, R. A. Bär, E. Buchmann.

2. Ueber den Bericht des Schatzmeisters: Die Pastoren: L. Groh, S. A. Ziegenfuß, G. F. Ohl, S. A. K. Francis und die Laien-Delegaten: J. Born, G. A. Schlechter, Benj. Kiehl, W. Hauff, W. G. Heller.

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3. Ueber Entschuldigungen: Die Pastoren: S. K. Plitt, G. F. Gardner, F. Berkemeyer, D. Sanner, T. Heilig, B. F. Apple, J. G. Pfuhl, M. Schimpf.

4. Ueber die Rechnung des Präsidenten: Die Pastoren: Dr. C. W. Schäffer, W. G. Laitzle, B. W. Schmauk.

5. Ueber Parochial-Berichte: Die Pastoren: H. H. Bruning, J. H. Gable, F. K. Huntzinger, F. P. Bender und die Laien-Delegaten: S. C. Fegley, Friedrich Dörr, Elias Bittner.

6. Ueber die letztjährigen Verhandlungen: Die Secretäre der Synode.

7. Ueber Aufnahme von Gemeinden: Die Pastoren: E. A. Bauer, W. S. Emery, Dr. W. Gerhard, T. T. Jäger und die Laien: H. Smith, Georg Egolf.

8. Ueber Conferenz-Verhandlungen: Die Secretäre der Conferenzen. 1. Conferenz, Pastor F. P. Bender; 2. Conferenz, Pastor J. M. Anspach, englisch; 2. Conferenz, Pastor L. Lindenstruth, deutsch; 3. Conferenz, Pastor J. N. S. Erb; 4. Conferenz, Pastor H. N. Fegley; 5. Conferenz, J. H. Neiman.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor A. Richter.

Dritte Sitzung.

Freitag, den 18. Juni 1886, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Ehrw. B. W. Schmauk leitete den Eröffnungsgottesdienst.

Die Verhandlungen der Vormittags-Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Der Bericht der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars wurde nun wieder zur Berathung vorgenommen.

Auf Antrag von Dr. B. M. Schmucker wurde

Beschlossen, daß eine Committee ernannt werde, welche der Synode in gehöriger Form die nöthigen Vorschläge vorlegen soll in Betreff des Ankaufs des von den Directoren empfohlenen Grundstücks für das neue Seminar in Mt. Airy und des Verkaufs des bereits erworbenen an der 52. Straße in West Philadelphia. Siehe Seite 34 ff.

Der Ehrw. Präses ernannte die Herren W. H. Staake, Esq., C. R. Lantz, Esq., und J. C. File als Committee.

Auf Antrag von Dr. J. A. Seiß wurde

Beschlossen, daß eine besondere Committee ernannt werde, welche während dieser Synodal-Versammlung der Synode einen Plan vorlegen soll, nach welchem weitere Beiträge für den Seminarbau gesammelt werden können.

Als Committee wurden ernannt die Pastoren Dr. J. A. Seiß, Dr. J. Fry, F. J. F. Schantz, B. W. Schmauk und die Laien-Delegaten H. Lehman, C. R. Lantz, T. H. Diehl.

Beschlossen, um 4.45 eine Ministerial-Sitzung zu halten.

Bezüglich der Einführung eines erweiterten Unterrichts-Cursus in der deutschen Sprache im Seminar wurde

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Beschlossen, daß eine Committee, bestehend aus den Direktoren und der Facultät des Seminars, ernannt werde, um über diese Angelegenheit bei dieser Versammlung Vorschläge der Synode vorzulegen.

Um viertel vor fünf Uhr vertagte sich die Synode, um eine Ministerial-Sitzung zu halten.

Pastor F. F. Bürmeyer sprach das Schlußgebet.

Vierte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 19. Juni, Vorm. 8½ Uhr.

Pastor C. J. Hirzel leitete die Andacht. Die Verhandlungen der gestrigen Nachmittags-Sitzung wurden verlesen und mit einigen Verbesserungen angenommen.

Der hochwürdige Vorsitzer verlas eine freundliche Einladung an die Synode von Dr. J. H. Mason Knox, dem Präsidenten des Lafayette Collegiums, dieser Anstalt einen Besuch abzustatten.

Diese Einladung wurde angenommen, und Montag Nachmittag 4 Uhr als Zeit des Besuchs festgesetzt.

Die Besprechung der neuen Constitution wurde bis zur nächsten Synodalversammlung verschoben.

Der Bericht der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars wurde weiter besprochen.

Betreffs einer Bitte der Facultät, ihr eine Summe von $200 zu gewähren, um davon arme Studenten in Ausnahmsfällen zu unterstützen, wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Facultät des Theologischen Seminars berechtigt sei, für besondere, nothwendige Fälle an den Schatzmeister Rechnung auszustellen von nicht mehr als im Jahr zweihundert Thaler.

Bezüglich des Singmaster Vermächtnisses wurde Dr. J. A. Seiß, Dr. B. M. Schmucker und Herr W. Staake als Committee wieder ernannt, das Interesse der Synode zu wahren und autorisirt in der Sache zu handeln.

Der Fall der beiden deutschen Studenten, welche in das Seminar aufgenommen worden sind und von der Facultät und den Directoren als unterstützungsbedürftig empfohlen wurden, wurde laut Beschluß an die Executiv-Committee verwiesen.

Der Bericht wurde als Ganzes angenommen.

Die Synode schritt nun zur Wahl der Directoren des Seminars. Als Wahlaufseher dienten die Pastoren S. E. Ochsenford, S. A. Ziegenfuß, U. P. Heilman und Herr A. Bendel.

Der Ehrw. C. W. Schäffer, DD., verlas den

Bericht über die Rechnung des Präsidenten.

Die Committee, welche ernannt wurde, die Rechnungen des Präsidenten, Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D.D., zu untersuchen, berichtet achtungsvoll, daß sie nach sorgfältiger Prüfung dieser Rechnungen alles richtig gefunden hat.

Die Committee.

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Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Herr W. H. Staake verlas nun die von der betreffenden Committee entworfenen Vorschläge über den Ankauf des Mount Airy Grundstücks und den Verkauf des Grundstücks in West Philadelphia. Die Beschlüsse, wie sie von der Synode angenommen wurden, lauten wie folgt:

Die Spezial-Committee, welche Ihr ehrenwerther Körper ernannt hat, berichtet achtungsvoll folgende Beschlüsse:

Beschlossen, daß das evangelisch-lutherische Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten hierdurch beschließt, das Grundeigenthum zu kaufen, bekannt unter dem Namen „Mount Airy Eigenthum," und das der Gowen Hinterlassenschaft gehört, für die Summe von fünfunddreißig Tausend Thaler ($35 000) unter den Bedingungen, wie es von den Repräsentanten besagter Hinterlassenschaft dem Agenten dieser Corporation, Pastor Reuben Hill, welcher mit den Interessen betraut ist, die mit dem proponirten neuen Theologischen Seminar in Verbindung stehen, angeboten ist. Besagtes Eigenthum enthält fünf Acker, drei Ruthen, fünf und fünf Zehntel Rods, mehr oder weniger.

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident, Schatzmeister und die Sekretäre des evangelisch-lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten, hierdurch beauftragt und ermächtigt sind, alle nöthigen Schritte im Namen dieser Corporation zu thun, um dieser Corporation einen guten, klaren, verkäuflichen und unverschuldeten Besitztitel (in fee simple) zu sichern auf das Stück Land, oder Grundstück mit Wohnhaus sammt Angebäuden, gelegen in der zweiundzwanzigsten Ward der Stadt Philadelphia, an der Nordost-Seite der Germantown Avenue, einhundertundreiundsiebzig Fuß, fünf und drei Achtel Zoll nordwestlich von der nordwestlichen Seite der Mount Airy Avenue; von da sich erstreckend in nordwestlicher Richtung entlang des Landes von John Levering und Anderer, siebenhundert Fuß, drei und fünf Achtel Zoll, bis zu einer Ecke; von da nordwestlich an einer Linie, die mit Boyer Straße parallel läuft, vierhundertundzehn Fuß, sechs Zoll, bis zu einer andern Ecke; von da in südwestlicher Richtung entlang des Landes, dem verstorbenen James E. Gowen verwilligt, fünfhundertundachtunddreißig Fuß, drei und drei Achtel Zoll, bis zur erwähnten Seite der Germantown Avenue, und von da derselben entlang in südwestlicher Richtung vierhundertundzweiunddreißig Fuß, fünf und ein Viertel Zoll vom Ausgangspunkt, um die Summe von fünfunddreißig Tausend Thaler ($35,000) als Ankaufs-Geld desselben.

Und um die nöthige Summe Geldes zu besagtem Ankauf zu sichern,

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident, Schatzmeister und die Sekretäre besagten evangelisch-lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten, hierdurch ermächtigt sind, Bonds oder Schuldscheine besagter Corporation auszustellen und mit dem Corporations-Siegel zu versehen im Betrage von dreißig Tausend Thaler ($30,000), in solchen Beträgen, wie sie es für passend finden, oder es von Personen oder Corporationen, welche dieselben kaufen, verlangt wird. Und um die Bezahlung besagter Bonds oder Schuldscheine zu sichern, sind der Präsident, Schatzmeister und die Sekretäre dieser Corporation ermächtigt, einen Pfandbrief an die "German-American Title Insurance, Trust and Safe Deposit Company" der Stadt Philadelphia auszustellen und mit dem Corporations-Siegel zu versehen, als Trustees für den Gebrauch besagter Eigenthümer der Schuldscheine. Besagte Bonds oder Schuldscheine und die mortgage auf obiges Eigenthum, zur Sicherung der Zahlung derselben, sollen innerhalb fünf Jahren zahlbar ausgestellt sein zu einem Zinsfuß, der fünf Prozent vom Hundert das Jahr nicht übersteigt, oder wie dieselben auf die vortheilhafteste Weise für obige Zwecke untergebracht werden können.

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident, Schatzmeister und die Sekretäre des evangelisch-lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten, hierdurch ermächtigt sind, gewisse Grundstücke, gelegen in der vierundzwanzigsten Ward in der Stadt Philadelphia zum Verkauf anzubieten, und sie zu solchem Preis

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und unter solchen Bedingungen zu verkaufen, wie sie bestmöglichst erlangt werden können, nämlich alle jene vier Bauplätze oder Grundstücke in der vierundzwanzigsten Ward der Stadt Philadelphia, begrenzt und beschrieben wie folgt: Der ganze gewisse Bauplatz oder Grundstück, gelegen in der vierundzwanzigsten Ward der Stadt Philadelphia, von einem Punkt in der Mitte der Columbia Avenue in einer Entfernung von drei Fuß achthundertundachtundachtzig ein Tausendstel Fuß östlich von dem Centrum einer Straße, bisher 53. Straße genannt, und von da südlich sechsundzwanzig Grade und siebenund fünfzig Minuten; östlich entlang einem anderen Grundstück, des Jesse George, das Samuel Haworth übermacht werden soll, zweihundertundzehn Fuß und neunzehn ein Hundertstel Fuß bis zu einem Punkt, sodann längs einem andern Grundstück des genannten Jesse George, südlich dreiundsechzig Grade, drei Minuten; westlich zweihundertundsechsunddreißig Fuß und neununddreißig ein Hundertstel Fuß bis zu einem anderen Punkt; von da weiter nördlich sechundzwanzig Grade, siebenundfünfzig Minuten; westlich einhundert Fuß zu einem andern Punkt, dann noch weiter nördlich sechs Grade neunzehn und eine halbe Minute; westlich einhundertundsechsundachtzig Fuß und vier Zehntel Fuß bis zur Mitte genannter Columbia Avenue, und von da entlang der Mitte der genannten Columbia Avenue einhundertundzweiundachtzig Fuß und vierhundertundeinundzwanzig Tausendstel Fuß bis zum Anfangspunkt. Enthaltend einen Acker und zweihundertundeinunddreißig Tausendstel eines Ackers.

Ebenfalls jenen ganzen gewissen Bauplatz oder Grundstück, gelegen in der vierundzwanzigsten Ward der Stadt Philadelphia, anfangend an einem Punkt in der Mitte des alten Lancaster Weges, oder 54. Straße, in einer Entfernung von dreihundertundzweiundsiebzig Fuß und drei Achtel Zoll südöstlich von der Mitte der Columbia Avenue, einer Ecke des George E. Halls Landes, von da sich nördlich erstreckend dreiundsechzig Grade und drei Minuten; östlich am Grundstück des genannten Georg E. Hall, und einem andern des Jonathan Harding vierhundertunddreißig Fuß bis zu einer Ecke des Landes von Samuel Haworth, dann südlich sechundzwanzig Grade, siebenundfünfzig Minuten; östlich entlang einem anderen Grundstück des genannten Jesse George einhundertundfünfundsiebzig Fuß, bis zur Mitte einer fünfundsiebzig Fuß breiten Straße, genannt George's Avenue; dann entlang der Mitte der genannten fünfundsiebzig Fuß breiten Straße, oder George's Avenue, und am Grundstück des genannten Jesse George vierhundertunddreißig Fuß bis zur Mitte des alten Lancaster Weges, oder 54. Straße, wie vorhin erwähnt, und dem Grundstück des Wilhelm W. Longstreth; dann entlang demselben nördlich sechsundzwanzig Grade, siebenundfünfzig Minuten; westlich einhundertundfünfundsiebzig Fuß bis zum Ausgangspunkt. Enthaltend einen Acker und siebenhundertundsiebenundzwanzig ein Tausendstel eines Ackers.

Ebenfalls jenen ganzen gewissen Bauplatz oder Grundstück, gelegen an der Süd-Seite der Columbia Avenue in der 24. Ward der Stadt Philadelphia, und wie folgt beschrieben, nach einer am 24. September 1883 vom Feldmesser und Regulator des 11. Distrikts, Joseph Johnson, vorgenommenen Vermessung, nämlich: Anfangend in einer Entfernung von dreihundertundeinundneunzig Fuß und dreiundsiebzig ein Hundertstel Fuß, östlich von der Ost-Seite der 54. Straße; von da südlich in einer rechtwinkeligen Linie mit George's Avenue dreihundertundzweiundfünfzig Fuß und einunddreißig ein Hundertstel Fuß bis zu einem Punkt; von da nördlich neunzehn Grade, acht Minuten und dreiundvierzig Sekunden; östlich zweihundertundsiebenundsiebzig und neunundfünfzig ein Hundertstel Fuß bis zu eine :: Punkt; besagte Linie ist in einer Entfernung von siebenzig Fuß von und parallel mit der Mittellinie der Philadelphia und Schuylkill Thal Eisenbahn; von da nördlich entlang einer rechtwinkeligen Linie mit George's Avenue vierundachtzig und vierundfünfzig ein Hundertstel Fuß bis zur Süd-Seite der Columbia Avenue, wie dieselbe in einer Breite von sechzig Fuß angelegt werden soll, und von da westlich entlang der Süd-Seite der Columbia Avenue, zweihundertunddreizehn Fuß und zweiundsiebzig ein Hundertstel Fuß bis zum Anfangspunkt. Enthaltend einen Acker und drei ein Tausendstel eines Ackers.

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Ebenfalls jenen ganzen gewissen Bauplatz oder Grundstück, gelegen in der 24. Ward der genannten Stadt Philadelphia. Anfangend am Durchschnittspunkt der Mitte des alten Lancaster Weges, oder 54. Straße, und der Mitte der Columbia Avenue, welcher Punkt sich in der Linie des Landes jetzt oder früher im Besitz von William W. Longstreth befindet; von da sich nördlich erstreckend dreiundachtzig Grade, vierzig und eine halbe Minute; östlich am Lande jetzt oder früher im Besitz von George E. Hall, entlang der Mitte der genannten Columbia Avenue zweihundertundsiebenundzwanzig Fuß und einen Viertel Zoll bis zu einem Punkt; von da am Grundstück jetzt oder früher im Besitz von Jonathan Harding, südlich sechs Grade neunzehn und eine halbe Minute; östlich einhundertundsechsundachtzig Fuß, vier und drei Viertel Zoll, bis zu einer Ecke; dann weiter südlich sechsundzwanzig Grade, siebenundfünfzig Minuten; östlich einhundert Fuß bis zu einem Grundstück jetzt oder früher Jesse George gehörend; von da am Grundstück jetzt oder früher genanntem Jesse George gehörend, dreiundsechszig Grade drei Minuten; westlich einhundertunddreiundneunzig Fuß, sieben und drei Achtel Zoll bis zur Linie des Landes von William W. Longstreth, in der Mitte des alten Lancaster Weges, oder 54. Straße, und von da entlang der Mitte des genannten Weges oder Straße nördlich sechsundzwanzig Grade siebenundfünfzig Minuten; westlich dreihundertundzweiundsiebzig Fuß und drei Achtel Zoll bis zum Anfangspunkt. Enthaltend einen Acker und sechshundertundzweiundvierzig ein Tausendstel eines Acker Landes. — Und daß, nachdem diese Grundstücke oder ein Theil derselben verkauft sind, der Präsident, Schatzmeister und die Secretäre besagter Corporation hierdurch ermächtigt sind, in dem Namen der Corporation solche Kaufurkunde oder Kaufurkunden, oder andere Versicherungen auszustellen und mit dem Siegel dieses Körpers zu versehen, wie sie nach dem Gesetz nöthig sein mögen, um dem Käufer oder den Käufern der besagten vier Grundstücke, oder einem Theil derselben, einen guten, klaren, verkäuflichen, unveräußerlichen und unverschuldeten Besitztitel (in fee simple) für dieselben zu übermachen und den Kaufschilling für besagte Corporation in Empfang zu nehmen

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C. A. Lantz,
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Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas den

Bericht der Executiv-Committee.

Die Executiv-Committee hielt in dem verflossenen Jahre vier regelmäßige Versammlungen, und zwar die erste in Allentown, die zweite in Bethlehem, die dritte in Allentown und die vierte in Reading.

I. Erziehung.

Während des verflossenen Jahres haben 41 Studenten, die sich auf das Predigtamt vorbereiten, Unterstützung aus der Synodalkasse erhalten, nämlich:

Im theologischen Seminar.

In der Seniorklasse: J. J. Faust, J. J. Kline, F. Kayser, J. H. Ritter, W. F. Schöner, J. W. Smith und J. O. Schlenker.

In der Mittelklasse: W. J. Fink, J. J. Heißler, W. D. C. Keiter, E. F. Krause, H. J. Kuder, J. J. Reitz, G. J. Schäffer, S. G. Weiskotten, W. F. Zuber und S. L. Keller.

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In der Juniorklasse: R. L. Lynch, W. Weickfel, J. A. Yehl, A. J. Lamertine, J. H. Wyse, O. Reber und William Hoppe.

Die Gesammtzahl der Benefizianten im Seminar ist demnach 24.

Im Mühlenberg-Collegium.

In der Seniorklasse: C. J. Jeffries, E. T. Kretschmann, V. Schmidt und H. K. Weaver.

In der Sophomoreklasse: W. F. Bond, C. D. Claus, Clinton Fetter, Georg Gerbert, D. G. Gerberich, J. F. Lambert und O. G. Scheirer.

In der Freshmanklasse: F. C. Oberly, J. B. Heyle, John H. Racker, Preston Laury und John Henry Johnson.

Gesammtzahl 16.

Im Thiel-Collegium.

In der Juniorklasse: P. J. K. Glatzert.

Gesammtzahl 1.

Die Ausgaben, welche die Committee zur Unterstützung der obgenannten Studenten aus der Synodalkasse gemacht hat, belaufen sich

Für die Studenten im theologischen Seminar	$3550 00
„ „ „ Mühlenberg- und Thiel-Collegium	2259 62
Zusammen	$5809 62

Nicht mit eingerechnet sind hier die Stipendien, welche der Committee von folgenden Personen und Gemeinden zur Verfügung gestellt wurden:

1. Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Reading Pa.
2. Herrn W. A. Arnold, Reading, Pa.
3. Herrn S. H. Kutz, Reading, Pa.
4. St. Jacobus-Gemeinde, Reading, Pa.
5. Herrn J. Fegely, Pottstown, Pa.
6. Herrn G. H. Reinöhl, Lebanon, Pa.
7. Emanuels-Gemeinde, Pottstown, Pa.

Durch den Gebrauch dieser Freiplätze sind der Synode $350 erspart worden.

Fleiß und Betragen der stipendirten Studenten im Seminar und Collegien sind von den Facultäten sorgfältig geprüft worden, und wo ein Einschreiten nöthig war, ist es ohne Verzug geschehen.

Die weitere Unterstützung für Johann Henry Johnson wurde versagt.

Die Zahl der Applicanten um Unterstützung war größer, als die in früheren Jahren.

Die Committee verwilligte, gemäß eines Synodalbeschlusses, dem Mühlenberg-Collegium während des Jahres aus der Synodalkasse eine Unterstützung von $1000.

Die Central-Committee für die Prüfung und Zulassung der Studenten bestand aus Folgenden:

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz,
Dr. B. M. Schmucker und
Pastor J. J. Kündig.

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Eine stehende Committee, für Wiedererlangung der Unterstützungsgelder an die Studenten verausgabt, wurde ernannt.

Bei der Versammlung der Executiv-Committee am 6. April 1886 wurde

Beschlossen, daß eine stehende Committee ernannt werde für den Zweck, die Unterstützungsgelder, die den Studenten verabreicht worden sind, zu erlangen, ganz oder theilweise zu erlassen, je nach Umständen.

Die Committee besteht aus den Pastoren S. Laird, D.D., Schatzmeister, F. J. F. Schantz und D. H. Geissinger.

II. Einheimische Mission.

30 Missionen, im Verbande dieser Synode stehend, wurden im Laufe des verflossenen Jahres von der Committee unterstützt.

5 derselben stehen unter der Aufsicht der deutschen Stadtmissionsbehörde, 5 unter der englischen. Die übrigen 20 unter der directen Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee.

Die Missionen, welche unter der directen Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehen, sind folgende:

In der ersten Conferenz.

1. Hainesport und Riverside, N. J.—Pastor A. Voigt resignirte zu Anfang des Synodaljahres. Pastor T. N. Ander, wohnhaft in Hainesport, ist am 1. November 1885 in dieses Arbeitsfeld getreten; er versucht auch New Germany in seinen Wirkungskreis hineinzuziehen. Da sehr wenig Zufluß durch die Emigration ist, so kann die Gliederzahl nicht rasch zunehmen. Gottesdienst und Sonntagschule wurden regelmäßig besucht.

Dieser Mission wurde eine jährliche Unterstützung von $200 verwilligt.

2. Millville, N. J.—Pastor A. R. J. Gräpp. Diese Mission besteht aus zwei Gemeinden, die eine in Millville und die andere in Vineland, N. J. Der Missionar berichtet: Die beiden Gemeinden sind in einem hoffnungsvollen Zustand. Gottesdienste und Sonntagsschulen sind gut besucht. In Millville ist die deutsche und englische Sprache im Gebrauch. $200 wurden im Laufe des Jahres diesem Missionsfeld zugetheilt.

3. Doylestown, Pa.—Pastor E. L. Miller. Diese Mission zählt etwa 160 Glieder. In den Gottesdiensten wird abwechselnd die englische und deutsche Sprache gebraucht. Es zeigen sich hier viele Schwierigkeiten, mit denen der junge Missionar zu kämpfen hat. Die Arbeit eines treuen Pastors müßte Erfolg haben, wenn er Doylestown zu seinem Wohnort machen könnte. $150 sind fürs Jahr verwilligt worden.

4. Norristown, Pa.—Pastor R. D. Röder. Der Missionar übernahm die "Grace Mission" gleich nach Vertagung der Synode. Vor Ostern zählte die Gemeinde schon 102 Glieder, und die Sonntagschule hat eine Kinderzahl von 132 und 18 Lehrern. Die Gemeinde beschloß, eine Kirche zu erbauen, und der Eckstein dazu ist am 18. April gelegt worden. Unterstützung $200.

5. Chester, Pa.—Diese Mission hatte letztes Jahr keinen ständigen Pastor gehabt. Die Missions-Committee der I. Conferenz sorgte für Aushilfe.

In der zweiten Conferenz.

1. Bangor, Pa.—Pastor B. F. Apple. Diese Mission zeigt einen Erfolg so günstig, wie man ihn unter den drückenden Verhältnissen der Zeit erwarten kann. Gottesdienste und Sonntagschule sind wohl besucht. Die

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Kirchenschuld ist beträchtlich reducirt worden. Die laufenden Ausgaben sind regelmäßig bezahlt und die Synodalbeiträge erhoben worden. Diese Stelle erhält eine jährliche Unterstützung von $200

2. Aineyville, nahe Allentown, Pa.—Pastor C. E. Sandt. Diese Mission ist eine vielversprechende. Die II. Conferenz ist ersucht worden, sie mit anderen Gemeinden der Nachbarschaft in Verbindung zu bringen. Die jährliche Unterstützung beträgt $50.

3. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde, Catasauqua, Pa.—Pastor C. J. Kohler. Die Gemeinde zählt etwa 50 Glieder, die Sonntagschule ungefähr 200 Schüler. Die Gemeinde hat noch eine Kirchenschuld. Die Unterstützung beträgt $200.

4. Weatherly, Pa.—Pastor L. Smith. Diese Mission besteht aus etwa 120 Communicanten, ⅓ sind Pennsylvanisch- und ⅔ Europäisch-Deutsche. Die ersteren sind im Verlaufe der letzten zwei Jahre in den Verband der Gemeinde aufgenommen worden. Die Sonntagschule zählt 80 Schüler und 12 Lehrer. Englische Lehrbücher werden gebraucht. Die Mission scheint an Zahl der Glieder zu wachsen, seitdem die Schwierigkeiten im Gebrauch der Sprachen geschlichtet worden sind. $100 sind von der Kirchenschuld abgetragen worden. Die Unterstützung für das Jahr beträgt $100.

5. Eckley, Luzerne County, Pa.—Pastor J. H. Schmidt, wohnhaft in Freeland, Pa. Die Stelle umfaßt 4 Gemeinden in Luzerne County, Eckley, Jeddo, Freeland und Ober-Lecha. Der Missionar schreibt: Obwohl mein Volk und ich mit großen Schwierigkeiten zu kämpfen haben, so ist dennoch die Mission in einem vielversprechenden Zustand. Die Unterstützung beträgt $100 für das Jahr.

6. Die slavonische Mission in Luzerne County, Pa.— Pastor Karl Horak, wohnhaft in Freeland. Der Missionar berichtet, daß während des vergangenen Jahres in diesem Arbeitsfeld wenig Veränderungen vorgekommen seien, außer dem Verlust durch den Wegzug von 30 Mitgliedern. Ungefähr 172 Glieder communicirten während des Jahres. In dem Gebiete, das der Missionar bereist, wohnen an hundert verschiedenen Plätzen etwa 400—500 Slavonier. Die Plätze, wo sie zur Anbetung zusammen kommen, sind folgende: Freeland, Hazleton, Mount Pleasant, Nanticoke, Wilkesbarre, Mahanoy City, Mount Carmel, Pa., und Raritan, N. J. Während des Jahres wurden 24 Kinder getauft, 17 Paare getraut und 8 Personen beerdigt. Seit 1884 fand keine Confirmation statt, weil keine jungen Leute für den Unterricht vorhanden waren. Die große Zerstreuung dieses Volkes machte die Organisation von Sonntagschulen unmöglich. Die jährliche Unterstützung beläuft sich auf $150.

7. Summit Hill. — Pastor A. C. Wuchter. Diese Mission umfaßt 130—140 Glieder. Die Sonntagschule hat 90—100 Kinder. Gottesdienst findet regelmäßig abends und morgens in Summit Hill statt. Der Missionar schreibt hoffnungsvoll von seinem Arbeitsfeld. Die jährliche Unterstützung beträgt $200.

8. Wilkesbarre, Pa. — Pastor L. H. Geschwind, (St. Johns-Gemeinde). Diese Gemeinde war für eine geraume Zeit predigerlos, wurde aber von der II. Conferenz aushülfsweise versorgt. Der gegenwärtige Pastor trat im Spätjahr 1885 in die Gemeinde ein und wurde im Februar 1886 installirt. Der Missionar hat mit vielen Schwierigkeiten zu kämpfen; er glaubt aber, daß

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durch treue Arbeit sie überwunden werden können. Diese englische Mission erhält per Jahr $300.

9. Die englische Mission in Scranton, Pa. — Pastor M. L. Zweizig. Die Gemeinde zählt ungefähr 100 communicirende Glieder. Es wird die Nothwendigkeit für größeren Raum gefühlt, und die Gemeinde hofft dieses Jahr eine Kirche erbauen zu können. Diese Mission erhält per Jahr $400.

10. Sand Cut, Wayne County, Pa. — Zu dieser Mission gehören die Grace-Gemeinde in Sand Cut, und die St. Johns-Gemeinde in Clifton. Gesammtzahl der Glieder etwa 40—50. Die Sonntagschule in Sand Cut zählt zwischen 60 und 70. Der bisherige Missionar, Pastor H. T. Clymer, resignirte schon 1885, und das Missionsfeld wird durch die zweite Conferenz versorgt. Diese Mission erhält eine jährliche Unterstützung von $100.

Dritte Conferenz.

1. St. Clair. — Pastor W. C. L. Lauer von Frackville versorgt diese kleine Mission. Die Unterstützung beträgt $50. Das ist die einzige Missionsstelle der dritten Conferenz, die aus der Synodalkasse eine Unterstützung erhält. Es ist an diesem Orte gerade passend, lobend anzuerkennen, daß die Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Reading, (Pastor J. Fry, D.D.), drei Kapellen errichtete und dafür einen Missionar besoldet.

Vierte Conferenz.

1. Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co., Pa. — Pastor P. P. Wisser mußte geschwächter Gesundheit halber am Anfang des Synodaljahres resigniren. Pastor J. H. Umbenhen, von Reamstown, hat einen Ruf von dieser Gemeinde erhalten; sollte er ihn annehmen können, dann wird er die ihm gegebene Zeit dem wichtigen Felde widmen. Diese Mission erhält eine jährliche Unterstützung von $100.

2. Die englische St. Johns-Gemeinde, Columbia, Pa. — Pastor J. R. Shoffner. Die Gemeinde zählt ungefähr 140 Glieder. Der Pastor arbeitet mit großem Eifer, um die Kirchenschuld zu vermindern, und es ist ihm gelungen, die Gemeinde auf eine bessere finanzielle Basis zu stellen. Kirche und Sonntagschule sind gut besucht. $150 wurden als jährliche Unterstützung verwilligt.

Fünfte Conferenz.

1. Danville, Pa. — Pastor J. R. Groff. Diese Mission besteht aus der Gemeinde in Danville und aus zwei Gemeinden im Lande. In der St. Johns-Kirche in Danville, wird Sonntag Vormittag in deutsch und Abends in englisch gepredigt. Der Pastor predigt jeden Sonntag 3 Mal. Seine Missionsarbeit begann im Januar 1886; er schreibt: Die Aussicht für das Wachsthum dieses Missionsfeldes ist hoffnungsvoll. Jährliche Unterstützung $200.

2. Ober-Lykens Valley Mission. — Pastor S. S. Henry. Die Mission besteht aus drei Gemeinden: Klingers, Colemans und Artz, mit ca. 200 Gliedern. Die Aussichten auf baldige Selbstständigkeit sind günstig. Jährliche Verwilligung $200.

3. Lykens, Pa. — Pastor M. B. Lenker. Die Mission besteht aus Lykens, Williamstown, Tower City. Die Mission hat auch in diesem Jahre wieder gelitten durch die unregelmäßige Arbeit in den Kohlenminen. Doch hegt der Missionar die Hoffnung, daß das Missionsfeld bald der Unterstützung nicht mehr bedürfe. Jährlicher Beitrag $100.

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4. Mission in Potter und Tioga Counties, Pa. — Diese Mission hat während des ganzen Synodaljahres keinen regelmäßigen Missionar gehabt. Pastor J. H. Voß ist wegen seiner Altersschwäche gebeten worden, sich von der Arbeit zurückziehen zu wollen. Es wurde ihm eine bestimmte Summe, als Unterstützung, gerne zugesprochen, und gewünscht, daß er seine Heimath in Ansonia, Tioga County, Pa., aufschlagen möchte. Nur in den äußersten Fällen der Nothwendigkeit sind ihm Amtshandlungen erlaubt.

Durch die Executiv-Committee wurde Pastor J. W. Early beauftragt, das genannte Missionsfeld gründlich zu untersuchen und darüber an die Missions-Committee der V. Conferenz zu berichten. Im October 1885 wurde sein Bericht vor der Executiv-Committee verlesen, und auf Ersuchen der V. Conferenz wurde für die Missionsarbeit in den zwei Counties per Jahr $600 verwilligt, mit der Bedingung, daß die Unterstützung von Seiten der Leute im Missionsfelde von obiger Verwilligung abgezogen werde. Es ist zu bedauern, daß bis zur Zeit sich noch Niemand für das ausgedehnte Feld als Missionar gefunden hat.

Die Executiv-Committee instruirte den englischen Secretär, mit der Behörde der Pittsburg-Synode in Bezug der Grenzlinien zwischen beiden Synoden in Correspondenz zu treten. Zu diesem Zwecke soll beiderseits je eine Committee bezeichnet werden, um zur geeigneten Zeit die Sache zu besprechen, um darnach den etwelchen Plan zur Berathung und endgültigen Entscheidung den resp. Synoden vorzulegen. Der englische Secretär bedauert, daß er den ihm gegebenen Auftrag zu spät ausführte, als daß er von der Pittsburger Synode hätte in Erwägung gezogen werden können. Der Präsident dieser Synode informirte ihn jedoch, daß das Gesuch der Executiv-Committee bei der nächsten Synodal-Versammlung in Erwägung gezogen werden würde.

Die deutsche und die englische Stadtmissionsbehörde werden die Berichte über die unter ihrer Aufsicht stehenden Missionen selbst vorlegen.

Die Summe, welche von der Executiv-Committee während des Jahres zur Unterstützung der Missionen verausgabt worden ist, beträgt $6159.80. Von dieser Summe wurden für die zwanzig Missionsstellen, welche unter directer Fürsorge der Executiv-Committee stehen $3155.63, für die fünf deutschen Stadtmissions-Stationen $1504.17, und für die fünf englischen $1500 ausgegeben, welches eine Totalausgabe für die Stadtmissionen von $3004.17 macht.

Innere Missionen des General-Concils.

Die Application der Deutschen Innern Missions-Committee und der Englischen Innern Missions-Committee des General-Conzils, welche die Executiv-Committee an die Synode verwiesen, und die von der Synode wieder an die Executiv-Committee zurückgesandt wurden mit der Instruction, „daß die Executiv-Committee jenen Committeen in Deckung ihrer Auslagen fürs vergangene Jahr (1884 u. 1885) Hilfe angedeihen lasse" wurden bei der Committee-Versammlung im Juni 1885 in Berathung gezogen und es wurden dem Deutschen Innern Missions-Committee $500 bewilligt und dem Englischen Missions-Committee $300 übergeben.

In einer Mitteilung an die Executiv-Committee vom Deutschen Innern Missions-Committee des General-Concils, datirt am 5. April 1886, steht Folgendes: In Betracht der Frage über Gelder zur Erziehung junger Männer für das deutsche Feld, glauben wir noch immer, daß die Behörde, welche auf Kosten der Synode junge Männer unterstützt und ausbildet, die das Englische

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Innere Missions-Committee nachher ins englische Feld stellen kann, um völlig gerecht gegen die deutsche Sache zu sein, einen Theil der Fonds, welche ja auch in deutschen und deutsch-englischen Gemeinden gesammelt und der Erziehung gewidmet werden, zum Zweck der Erziehung junger Männer für das deutsche Werk verwilligen sollte."

Die Executiv-Committee beschloß: „Daß die Application des Deutschen Innern Missions-Committees des General-Concils um eine Verwilligung aus den Geldern der Synode zur Unterstützung in seinem Werke behufs Berathung und Instruction der Synode vorgelegt werde."

Die Trustees des General-Concils stellten das Ansuchen, Vorkehrungen treffen zu wollen, durch welche die Herausgabe und der Verkauf des englischen Kirchenbuches so geordnet werde, daß der Ueberschuß in die Kasse des General-Concils fließe. Siehe deutsche Verhandl. S 108.

Die Executiv-Committee würde antworten, daß die Entscheidung dieser Sache zwar in das Gebiet der Executiv-Committee gehört, aber das Ansuchen sollte an das Kirchenbuch-Committee der Pennsylvanischen Synode gestellt werden.

Heidenmission.

Der Secretär der Heidenmissions-Committee des General-Concils berichtete, daß in Anbetracht der Ausdehnung des Missionsgebietes, für diese Arbeit, von der Executiv-Committee so viel Geld verwilligt werden sollte, als thunlich.

Die Executiv-Committee bevollmächtigte den Schatzmeister der Synode, an den Schatzmeister des General-Concils für die ausländische Mission $3000 zu zahlen.

Pastoren-Wittwen,- Waisen- und Pastoren-Invaliden-Fond.

Bei der ersten Sitzung der Executiv-Committee, nach Vertagung der Synode, wurde eine Committee ernannt zur Verwaltung des obengenannten Fonds.

Während des Jahres sind zu den alten neue Applicanten gekommen und haben Unterstützung bekommen. Bei der Versammlung der Executiv-Committee im October $885 wurde die oben bezeichnete Committee entlassen und an deren Stelle sind die Präsidenten der Conferenzen beauftragt worden einen jährlichen Bericht abzustatten über diejenigen, die während des Jahres unterstützt worden sind und für Unterstützung Ansprüche gemacht haben. Diese Berichterstattung soll bei der ersten Versammlung der Executiv-Committee, nach Vertagung der Synode, stattfinden.

Prüfung des Schatzmeister-Berichtes.

Der Schatzmeister der Synode, Pastor J. B. Rath, mußte sein Amt gleich nach der Versammlung der Synode krankheitshalber niedergelegen und Pastor S. Laird wurde als Schatzmeister bezeichnet.

Die Executiv-Committee bei der Versammlung im Oktober beschloß, daß der Amtsantritt des Schatzmeisters vom 6. Juli 1885 an zu datiren sei.

Der Bericht des Schatzmeisters wurde von der Executiv-Committee im October, Januar und April untersucht und richtig befunden.

Ein Spezial-Aufruf an Pastoren und Gemeinden.

Bei der Versammlung der Executiv-Committee im Januar 1886 wurde der englische Secretär beauftragt, für die kirchlichen Zeitungen eine Auseinan-

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derſetzung über die vermehrte Arbeit machen zu wollen, und zwar in der Erziehung junger Männer für das Predigtamt, in der größeren Unterſtützung der Einheimiſchen Miſſionen, in der Erweiterung des Miſſionsgebietes im Heidenlande. Die Arbeit des Secretärs iſt in engliſchen und deutſchen Kirchenblättern erſchienen. Welchen Erfolg ſie gehabt hat, wird das Reſultat zeigen und wird die künftige Executiv-Committee beſtimmen, viel oder wenig für obengenannte Zwecke verwilligen zu können.

Vorkehrungen für die jährlichen Anſprachen bei der Verſammlung des Miniſteriums.

Folgende Paſtoren wurden durch die Executiv-Committee bezeichnet:

Ueber die Erziehungsſache: Donnerſtag Abend, den 17. Juni 1886, in der Chriſtus-Kirche, Eaſton, Pa. Redner: Paſtor H. E. Jacobs, D.D., engliſch und Prof. W. Wackernagel, D.D., deutſch.

Ueber Einheimiſche Miſſion: Freitag Abend, den 18. Juni 1886 in der St. Johannis-Kirche. Redner, Paſtor J. A. Seiß, D.D., engliſch und Paſtor F. W. Weiskotten, deutſch.

Ueber Heidenmiſſion: Montag Abend, den 21. Juni 1886, in der Zions-Kirche. Redner: Paſtor J. G. Pfuhl, deutſch und Paſtor E. Smith, engliſch.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

J. J. Kündig, deutſcher Secretär.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und

Beſchloſſen, daß die Beſprechung der Angelegenheit der Deutſchen Einheimiſchen Miſſions-Komitee, welche im Bericht vorkommt, verſchoben werde, bis der Bericht über den Präſidenten-Bericht zur Verhandlung kommt.

Beſchloſſen, daß der Bericht der Committee über den Präſidenten-Bericht Montag Nachmittag, ſogleich nach Eröffnung, zur Beſprechung kommen ſoll.

Paſtor S. E. Ochſenford berichtete die Erwählung folgender Perſonen als

Directoren des theologiſchen Seminars:

Paſtoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. J. A. Seiß, D.D.,	Herr J. Zaun,
„ S. Laird, D.D.,	„ H. Lehman,
„ E. E. Sibole,	„ J. B. Zimmele,
„ O. P. Smith,	„ H. S. Chorley,
„ J. W. Early.	„ F. S. Schmidt.

Der hochwürdige Präſes zeigte die Anweſenheit des Dr. J. H. Maſon Knox vom Lafayette College an und theilte ihm mit, daß die Synode der Einladung jene Anſtalt zu beſuchen, Montag Nachmittag Folge leiſten werde.

Um 11 Uhr vertagte ſich die Synode, um eine Miniſterial-Sitzung zu halten.

Gebet von Paſtor E. A. Bauer.

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Fünfte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 19. Juni 1886, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Pastor G. A. Hinterleitner eröffnete die Sitzung.

Die Verhandlungen der Vormittags-Sitzung wurden verlesen, verbessert und dann angenommen.

Die Prediger, deren Aufnahme in die Synode bei der Ministerial-Sitzung beschlossen worden war, wurden vom Secretär der Examinations-Committee der Synode vorgestellt und vom Ehrw. Präsidenten herzlich bewillkommt und aufgefordert, die Constitution zu unterschreiben; deßgleichen wurden die zur Ordination empfohlenen Candidaten der Synode vorgestellt und ersucht, sich zur Ordination am Dienstag Abend den 22. Juni einzufinden.

Herr J. C. File verlas den 27. Jahres-Bericht über das Waisenhaus und Asyl zu Germantown, Philadelphia. Derselbe wurde angenommen und beschlossen, daß der gedruckte Bericht mit den Synodal-Verhandlungen zusammengebunden werde. Siehe Anhang C.

Gemäß eines in der gestrigen Nachmittags-Sitzung gefaßten Beschlusses wurden den Vertretern des Waisenhauses und Asyls 20 Minuten gewährt, das Interesse dieser Anstalt der Synode ans Herz zu legen.

Der Ehrw. W. J. Mann, D.D. und Herr H. Lehman schilderten nun in herzlichen Worten die hohe Bedeutung dieses Werkes, den großen Segen, der schon dadurch gestiftet und die Nothwendigkeit einer regen Theilnahme und Mitwirkung von Seiten unserer Pastoren und Gemeinden.

Hierauf wurde beschlossen, daß die Glieder der Waisenhaus- und Asyl-Committee, deren Dienstzeit abgelaufen ist, nämlich Pastor F. Wischan und Herr R. B. Miller hiermit wieder erwählt werden.

Der Bericht der Executiv-Committee kam wieder zur Besprechung und wurde nun als Ganzes angenommen.

Der deutsche Secretär verlas den

Bericht der deutschen Committee der Stadt-Mission von Philadelphia.

Mit demüthigem Dank gegen den guten Hirten und Bischof unserer Seelen für alle Seine Segnungen erlaubt sich Ihre Committee der Ehrw. Synode in Nachfolgendem ihren Jahres-Bericht vorzulegen:

Die Zahl der Gemeinden unter unserer Aufsicht ist sich gleich geblieben. Es gehören dazu:

1. Die Immanuels-Gemeinde in Frankford, Pastor M. Schimpf. Die Zahl der stimmberechtigten Glieder dieser Gemeinde beträgt 16, der Communicanten 114, der Lehrer in der Sonntagschule 12 und der Kinder in derselben 80. Es wurden 3 Kinder confirmirt. Die Mission wurde im verflossenen Jahre mit $100 unterstützt.

2. Die St. Thomas-Gemeinde in Germantown. Mit dem 1. April dieses Jahres hat Pastor Wendel die Gemeinde verlassen und ist ein Nachfolger bis jetzt noch nicht an seine Stelle getreten. Die Gemeinde berichtet 173 Glieder mit einer Sonntagschule von 15 Lehrern und 96 Schülern. Es wurden $250 Unterstützung gewährt, wovon $187.50 zur Auszahlung kamen.

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3. St. Peters, West-Philadelphia, Pastor E. H. Pohle. Gliederzahl, 76; Sonntagschule mit 18 Lehrern und 107 Kindern. Es wurden 17 Personen confirmirt Die Unterstützung beträgt $400.

Die Gemeinde hat nicht nur nothwendige Verbesserungen an Kirche und Grundstück im Betrage von ca. $450 ausgeführt, sondern auch von ihrer Kirchenschuld $500 abbezahlt. Dieses erfreuliche Resultat ist vorzugsweise der Thätigkeit der Frauen und Jungfrauen zu verdanken, die, unter Leitung des Pastors in einem Verein verbunden mit großem Eifer diese Gelder gesammelt haben. Solche lobenswerthe Thätigkeit der Frauen dürfte in allen unseren Missions- und Synodal-Gemeinden zur willigen Nachahmung dringend zu empfehlen sein.

4. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde, Rising Sun, Pastor A. Linß. Zahl der Gemeindeglieder 140, der Sonntagschul-Lehrer 15 und der Schüler 80. Eine Schuld von $2,700, welche noch auf der Kirche lastet, ist um $700 verringert worden. Zuschuß zum Gehalt des Missionars betrug $275.

5. Christus-Mission. Diese Mission umfaßt die Christus-Gemeinde mit 57 Gliedern und einer Sonntagschule von 24 Lehrern und 160 Schülern, und die St. Markus-Gemeinde in North Penn Village von 30 Gliedern, nebst einer Sonntagschule bestehend aus 12 Lehrern und 90 Kindern.

Die Mission wurde durch Resignation des Pastors Hartmann am 1. Oct. vorigen Jahres vacant, jedoch durch Candidat J. Witke, einem Zögling der Anstalt Kropp in Schleswig, welcher durch das Ministerium von New York ordinirt worden und sich bei dieser Sitzung unserm Ministerium anschließen wird, besetzt. Der Missionar wirkt im Segen. Die Gliederzahl hat sich vermehrt, die Gemeinden haben nun ihre Organisation vollendet und werden um Aufnahme in die Synode bei dieser Sitzung einkommen. Diese Mission erhält $500 Unterstützung.

Die Ehrw. Synode wolle uns gestatten, noch auf ein Missionsfeld aufmerksam zu machen, das von großer Wichtigkeit ist, aber leider bisher die Aufmerksamkeit unsrerseits nicht gefunden hat, die es in hohem Grade verdient. Es ist das **Deutsche Hospital in Philadelphia.** Nach Ausweis der amtlichen Verzeichnisse wurden in den letzten 3 Jahren in dieser Anstalt 2589 Kranke verpflegt, von denen 1592 Deutsche waren; außer diesen aber noch Schweizer, Oestreicher und Ungarn, so daß sich die jährliche Durchschnittszahl aller Deutschen auf ca. 647 belief. Von dieser Zahl sind etwa 80 Prozent Protestanten und dürften sich unter ihnen, mit Einschluß des ständigen Hausperſonals, immerhin 500 unserer lutherischen Glaubensbrüder befinden.

Wohl haben unsere Pastoren der Stadt sich hie und da die geistliche Pflege der Kranken angelegen sein lassen; allein da sie zum Theil große Gemeinden bedienen, auch meistens von der Anstalt weit ab wohnen und Letztere ihre segensreiche Thätigkeit stetig ausdehnt, so werden diese Dienstleistungen den Bedürfnissen je länger desto weniger entsprechend. — Erwägen wir nun mit welchem reichen Segen an unsterblichen Seelen unter den vielen Kranken und Sterbenden gearbeitet werden könnte, wenn die erforderlichen Kräfte vorhanden wären, und wie uns diese Anstalt auch dadurch nahe gerückt ist, daß nach ihrem Freibrief drei Pastoren unserer Synode Glieder des Verwaltungsraths sein müssen und wie durch die neu gegründete Diaconissen-Anstalt Mittel und Wege angebahnt sind, ein segensreiches Missionswerk zu beginnen, indem diese Anstalt schon einen Geistlichen an Ort und Stelle hat, so dürfte für die Sy-

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node der Zeitpunkt gekommen sein, ihre Missionsthätigkeit auch auf dieses Hospital auszudehnen.

Wir erlauben uns daher, dem Ehrw. Ministerium vorzuschlagen, sich mit den betreffenden Anstalten dahin verständigen zu wollen, daß der von der Diaconissen-Anstalt angestellte Hausgeistliche, Herr Pastor J. Heck, zugleich als Missionar unserer Synode fürs Deutsche Hospital ernannt werden dürfe, um als Seelsorger unter unsern Glaubensbrüdern in gedachter Anstalt zu wirken.

H. Grahn, Präsident.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und der Vorschlag der Committee, betreffs der Anstellung des Ehrw. J. Heck als Missionar unserer Synode im Deutschen Hospital zu Philadelphia, Pa., an die Executiv-Committee verwiesen.

Hierauf schritt die Synode zur Wahl für Glieder der Exekutiv-Committee. Als Wahlaufseher wurden ernannt die Pastoren: J. Neff, J. N. S. Erb, W. J. Andres und die Laien Samuel Motzer und G. A Kemper.

Reading soll wiederum Versammlungsort der Executiv-Committee sein.

Der Jahres-Bericht der englischen Stadt-Missions-Committee von Philadelphia wurde hierauf verlesen. Derselbe lautet:

Jahres-Bericht der englischen Stadt-Missions-Committee in Philadelphia, 1886.

Die unter der Aufsicht ihrer Committee stehenden Missionen sind folgende:

Christus-Kirche, Chestnut Hill, Ehrw. C J. Hirzel, Pastor. Communicanten 110, Zunahme während des Jahres 7, Verluste 4, durchschnittlicher Besuch 75—80. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $10,000, Kirchenschulden $1,450. Verringerung derselben $50. Sonntagschüler 135, Zuwachs 35, durchschnittlicher Besuch 103. Synodal-Unterstützung $300.

St. Petri, Reed Straße, unterhalb 9., Ehrw. E. R. Cassaday, Pastor. Communicanten 185, Zunahme während des Jahres 43, Verluste 8, Durchschnittsbesuch 135. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $9000. Gemeindeschulden $1400, Verminderung derselben $400. Sonntagschüler 300, Durchschnittsbesuch 175. Synodal-Unterstützung $300. Diese Mission hat gute Aussicht, innerhalb 12—18 Monate ihre ganze Gemeindeschuld abzutragen.

Epiphanias-Kirche in Camden, N. J., Ehrw. C. K. Binder, Pastor. Communicanten 101, Zunahme während des Jahres 12, Verluste 2. Durchschnittsbesuch 70. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $7000. Kirchenschuld $1500. Sonntagschüler 150, Zunahme 36. Durchschnittsbesuch 150. Synodal-Unterstützung $300. Diese Mission befand sich für beinahe 7 Jahre in der unvortheilhaften Lage in einer gemietheten Halle Gottesdienst halten zu müssen, steht aber jetzt im Begriff eine eigene Kapelle zu errichten.

Advents-Kirche, 5. Straße und Cumberland Ave., Ehrw. J. F. C. Fluck, Pastor. Communicanten 224, Zunahme während des Jahres 38, Verluste 1. Durchschnittsbesuch 154. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $11,500. Kirchenschuld $6,916, Verringerung derselben $84. Sonntagschüler 323, Vermehrung 30, Durchschnittsbesuch 207. Synodal-Unterstützung $300.

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St. Pauls-Kirche, 22. Straße, oberhalb Columbia Ave., Ehrw. R. M. Zimmerman, Pastor. Communicanten 225, Zunahme während des Jahres 66, Verluste 14, Durchschnittsbesuch 180. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $6,100. Sonntagschüler 250, Durchschnittsbesuch 200. Synodal-Unterstützung $300.

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., verlas folgenden

Bericht der Finanz-Committee.

An das Evangelisch-Lutherische Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten.

Die Finanz-Committee Ihres ehrenwerthen Körpers berichtet achtungsvoll wie folgt:

Daß sie während des verflossenen Jahres verschiedene Capital-Anlagen gebilligt, welche der Schatzmeister gemacht hat und in seinem Bericht ausführlich angegeben sind.

Ferner, daß Ihre Committee alle Sicherheiten und Capital-Anlagen des Ministeriums, welche vom Schatzmeister aufbewahrt werden, sowie die Deeds des Grundeigenthums, welches dem Ministerium gehört, sorgfältig geprüft hat und findet, daß sich alle diese Documente sowie die Policen für Feuerversicherungen im Besitz des Schatzmeisters befinden.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet im Namen der Committee

Wm. H. Staake, Secr.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt.

Hierauf verlas Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., den

Bericht der Publications-Committee.

An den Präsidenten und die Glieder des Evangelisch-Lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten.

Ihre Druck- (Publication) Committee berichtet achtungsvoll, daß Ihre Committee es seit der letzten Versammlung des Ministeriums nothwendig fand, 2000 Exemplare des Kirchenbuches in der englischen Sprache drucken zu lassen und 1056 Exemplare der 16mo deutschen Ausgabe und 4323 Exemplare der deutschen kleinen 32mo Ausgabe des deutschen Gesangbuches.

Der Schatzmeister wurde ermächtigt, obige Exemplare drucken zu lassen und für dieselben zu zahlen, wenn die Rechnungen vorgelegt würden und die nöthigen Exemplare binden zu lassen, um sie für den Markt bereit zu halten.

Der Bericht des Schatzmeisters wird im Einzelnen zeigen, wie viele Bücher von jeder Sorte verkauft wurden und wie viele noch auf Lager sind.

William H. Staake,

17. Juni 1886. Secretär der Committee.

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Bericht des Schatzmeisters der Publications-Committee des Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien.

I. English Churchbook.

Bogen an Hand nach letztem Bericht	3150		
Zusatz	2000	Kosten	$239 75
	5150		
Verkauft	3500	für	$1050 00
Bogen an Hand	1650		
An den Schatzmeister bezahlt			$810 25

II. Benner Sumneytown Katechismus.

Bogen an Hand nach letztem Bericht	3000		
„ verkauft	1300	für	$65 00
Vorrath	1700		
An den Schatzmeister bezahlt			$65 00

III. Deutsches Gesangbuch, bekannt als „Wollenweber Gesangbuch".

Erhalten für 90 Bogen 16mo., 610 von 32mo, gebunden 1165 von 16mo. und 3733 von 32mo. Spesen ꝛc.			$2909 53
Ausbezahlt für Druckkosten von 1056 von 16mo. und 4323 von 32mo	$478 79		
Einbinden, Spesen ꝛc. 969 von 16mo. und 3731 von 32mo..	733 82		
Gehalt des Agenten, Pastor C. G. Fischer	$100 00		
Neben-Ausgaben	1 22		
	101 22		
			1313 83
An den Schatzmeister bezahlt			$1595 70

Summa: I. English Church Book		810 25
II. Benner Sumneytown Katechismus		65 00
III. Deutsches Gesangbuch		1595 70
		$2470 95

Anschlag des Werthes der Bogen und Bücher an Hand:

English Church Book	197 79
Benner Sumneytown Katechismus	47 70
Deutsches Gesangbuch	$1113 51

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas den

Bericht der Besucher des Emmaus Waisenhauses.

Die Committee besuchte das Emmaus Waisenhaus zu Middletown, Pa., am Freitag, den 11. Juni 1886. Die drei Bauereien, ungefähr 600 Acker Land umfassend, sind in gutem Zustande. Für die Wohnhäuser, Scheunen und andere Gebäude mußten ziemliche Auslagen gemacht werden. Es wurde während dem Jahre eine bedeutende Summe für Reparatur an den Einzäu-

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nungen ausgegeben. Das Waisenhaus selbst wurde gründlich durchgesehen und ist gut erhalten; auch wurde während des Jahres eine Feuerleiter an demselben errichtet. Ein großes Haus, das als Brunnen- und Badhaus benutzt wird, ist erbaut worden. 38 Waisen befinden sich in der Heimath. Die Prüfung der Kinder war sehr befriedigend. Zu bedauern ist, daß der Wille des Herrn Frey, hinsichtlich des Gebrauchs der deutschen Sprache nicht ausgeführt wurde. Die Besucher aßen mit den Waisen im großen Speisezimmer ihr Mittagessen. Herr Frey starb anno 1806. Seine Vermächtnisse bringen gute Früchte. Herr W. A. Croll ist immer noch Principal, und Prof. Georg A. Bauman Lehrer der Anstalt.

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und folgende Committee ernannt um diese Anstalt ferner zu besuchen: Die Pastoren F. J. F. Schantz, J. G. Pfuhl, H. N. Fegely, G. S. Seaman, und die Herren Charles H. Schäfer, Geo. Reinöhl, Adolph Reinöhl, F. W. Liesman.

Die Beamten der Synode, welche letztes Jahr beauftragt worden waren, für eine neue Form von Ordinationsscheinen zu sorgen, berichteten, daß es ihnen nicht möglich gewesen sei, sich über eine bestimmte Form zu verständigen und daher diese Angelegenheit der Synode vorlegen.

Es wurde hierauf

Beschlossen, daß die Fakultät des Seminars und die Beamten der Synode eine Committee bilden sollen, für den Entwurf und den Druck einer permanenten Form von Ordinations-Scheinen in deutscher und englischer Sprache zu sorgen.

Die Wahlaufseher berichteten die Erwählung folgender

Glieder der Executiv-Committee:

Pastoren.	Laien.
Ehrw. F. J. F. Schantz,	Herr A. W. Potteiger,
„ D. H. Geissinger,	„ A. Bendel,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D.D.,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ T. L. Seip, D.D.,	„ C. R. Lantz, Esq.,
„ J. Fry. D.D.	„ W. Henry.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Prof. C. W. Schäffer, D.D.

Sechste Sitzung.

Montag, den 21. Juni 1886, Vorm. 8½ Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde von Pastor J. Kohler in der gewöhnlichen Weise eröffnet.

Die Verhandlungen der fünften Sitzung wurden verlesen, verbessert und dann angenommen.

Pastor L. Groh verlas den:

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Bericht der Committee über die Rechnung des Schatzmeisters.

Die Committee, welche ernannt wurde, den Bericht des Schatzmeisters zu prüfen, hat ihre Pflicht erfüllt. Die verschiedenen Fonds wurden einzeln geprüft, mit den Belegen verglichen und in Richtigkeit befunden.

L. Groh,
S. A. Ziegenfuß,
J. F. Ohl,
Johann Born,
G. A. Schlechter,
Benj. Kiehl,
W. G. Heller.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor E. Smith verlas sodann einen Bericht der Committee über Frauenarbeit in der Kirche.

Auf Antrag von Dr. J. A. Seiß wurde dieser Bericht an die betreffende Committee zurückgewiesen, damit derselbe in verbesserter Form später wieder vorgelegt werde. Die Ehrw. B. W. Schmucker, D.D., und B. Sadtler, D.D., wurden der Committee als Glieder beigegeben.

Der Ehrw. Dr. J. A. Seiß verlas den

Bericht der Committee für die Sicherung und Aufbringung der Gelder für das Neue Seminar.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich zu berichten:

1. Daß der Tausch der Lage, mit den Vortheilen, die schon der auserwählte Grund bietet, die Synode jetzt ermöglicht, den gegenwärtigen Bedürfnissen der Anstalt zu begegnen mit einem Kostenaufwand von $100,000 anstatt $150,000, wie früher geglaubt.

2. Daß der Erfolg des Versuchs noch $60,000 zu sichern, zu dem das schon da ist, ganz und gar abhängt von dem Ernst und der Treue unserer Pastoren und Laien-Delegaten der Gemeinden, in welcher Art und Weise sie nämlich die Aufmerksamkeit der Glieder jeglicher Gemeinde darauf richten und zusehen, daß Schritte gethan werden, Contributionen zu erhalten von jedem, der irgendwie geben kann.

3. Daß die zufriedenstellendste und beste Weise zur Sicherung des erforderlichen Fonds die sein wird, nämlich, unter unseren verschiedenen Gemeinden und Parochien, je nach ihrer Leistungsfähigkeit, die Erschwingung der Gesammtsumme von $100,000 zu vertheilen, mit Anrechnung für jegliche Parochie dessen, was sie schon hiezu beigetragen hat.

4. Daß die bestimmten Formen oder Pläne, welche Gemeinden oder Gruppen von Kirchen arrangiren und annehmen mögen, den Betrag oder die Beträge, die so sorgfältig proportionirt sind, gänzlich den Gemeinden mit ihren Pastoren und Vorstehern überlassen werden.

5. Daß es jeder Conferenz zur Pflicht gemacht werde, nachzufragen und nachzusehen, daß passende und geeignete Versuche gemacht werden, in jeder Kirche innerhalb ihrer Grenzen, den Betrag aufzubringen, der ihnen zuertheilt ist, bis zur nächsten jährlichen Convention dieses Körpers.

6. Daß die Executiv-Committee instruirt werde, obengenannte Verthei-

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lung der aufzubringenden Summe, mit bestem Wissen und Gewissen und möglichst sorgfältiger Erwägung zu machen.

7. Daß, wenn diese Vertheilungen gemacht sind, der Präsident, in einem officiellen Circular, addressirt an einen jeden Pastor, die Summe, die von der Synode seiner Gemeinde aufzubringen zuertheilt ist, bekannt mache, mit solchen kurzen Erklärungen, wie sie geeignet sind, vor der Gemeinde gelesen zu werden.

Achtungsvoll,

Die Committee.

Die einzelnen Punkte dieses Berichtes wurden besprochen, angenommen und schließlich wurde der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Auch wurde ferner in dieser Angelegenheit

Beschlossen, daß angesichts der veränderten Umstände, der vor drei Jahren von der Synode gefaßte Beschluß, nach welchem erst dann mit dem Seminarbau begonnen werden soll, wenn der Baugrund bezahlt und die Summe von $30,000 gesichert ist, hiemit aufgehoben werde.

Prof. Dr. Hermann Hilprecht, welcher kürzlich von Erlangen als Professor der semitischen Sprachen an die Universität in West-Philadelphia berufen worden, wurde durch Dr. W. J. Mann vorgestellt und vom Ehrw. Präses der Synode freundlich bewillkommt.

Hierauf Vertagung mit Gebet von Pastor G. A. Strunz.

Siebente Sitzung.

Montag, den 21. Juni 1886, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Pastor D. Sanner leitete den Eröffnungsdienst.

Die Verhandlungen der Vormittags-Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Hierauf verlas Dr. H. E. Jacobs den

Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht.

Die Committee über den Bericht des Präsidenten und beiliegende Documente erlaubt sich achtungsvoll zu empfehlen:

1. Daß wir unsere Anerkennung der großen Treue, mit welcher unsere Brüder, Ehrw. J. B. Rath und E. Greenwald, D.D., deren Tod der Präsident erwähnt, unserer Kirche und besonders diesem Ministerium zu verschiedenen Zeiten und in wichtigen Aemtern gedient haben, documentiren und das Gefühl unseres schmerzlichen Verlustes, den wir durch ihr Abscheiden erlitten haben, hiermit ausdrücken.

2. Daß der Bericht des verstorbenen Schatzmeisters, Ehrw. J. B. Rath, nebst dem der Committee, die ernannt wurde, dessen Rechnungen zu revidiren unsern Verhandlungen beigefügt werden. Siehe Anhang C.

3. Daß als Antwort auf den folgenden Beschluß des General-Concils bei der letztjährigen Versammlung in Philadelphia (Deutsche Verhandl. S. 106—107.)

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„Beschlossen, daß das General-Konzil diejenigen Synoden, welche bis jetzt ohne Vorkehrungen für solche Fälle sind, ersucht, insofern es ihre Constitutionen erlauben, die nötige Einrichtung zu treffen, daß diejenigen Candidaten, die auf den Ruf einer unserer Innern Missions-Committeen ins Arbeitsfeld treten, wenn nötig, in der Zeit zwischen den jährlichen Synodal-Versammlungen geprüft und ordinirt werden können."

dieses Ministerium aufmerksam macht, sowohl auf die Wichtigkeit des Festhaltens an jenen Vorsichtsmaßregeln, welche unsere Synodal-Ordnung zur Bewahrung des geistlichen Amtes so weislich vorgeschrieben hat, als auch auf die Thatsache, daß irgend ein Ueberschreiten der Schranken, welche in Bezug auf die Möglichkeit voreiligen Handelns in der Ordination von Candidaten gesetzt sind, nur mit der größten Vorsicht geschehen sollte und nur in solchen Fällen, die von einer großen Anzahl der Glieder des Ministeriums als wirkliche Ausnahmsfälle bezeugt werden.

4. Nach langer und eingehender Besprechung, kam Ihre Committee zu dem einmüthigen Schluß, daß der beabsichtigte Zweck nicht nur erreicht werden könne, sondern auch die durch die Ordination gegebene kirchliche Anerkennung vor Mißbrauch gehörig bewahrt werde, durch eine Veränderung in unserer Synodal-Ordnung, dahingehend, daß eine unserer Districts-Conferenzen oder deren Pastoren nach Anordnung des Präsidenten, bevollmächtigt werde, bei einer regelmäßigen Versammlung über die Frage der Ordination von solchen Candidaten zu entscheiden, die in besonders dringenden Fällen von einer Missions-Committee des General-Concils vorgeschlagen worden und nach geschehener Prüfung ihrer Befähigung durch die Examinations-Committee des Ministeriums oder einer Sub-Committee desselben zur Ordination empfohlen werden.

Sollte dieser Vorschlag als eine Lösung der Frage annehmbar erscheinen, so empfehlen wir die Ernennung einer Committee, um die betreffenden Beschlüsse zu formuliren und der Synode in gegenwärtiger Versammlung vorzulegen, damit im nächsten Jahre endgültig darüber entschieden werde.

Achtungsvoll,

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und die einzelnen Empfehlungen in Erwägung gezogen.

Bei der Abstimmung und Annahme des ersten Punktes erhob sich die Synode.

Der zweite Punkt wurde ebenfalls angenommen.

Bezüglich der dritten und vierten Empfehlung wurde auf Antrag von Dr. Seiß

Beschlossen, daß diese beiden Empfehlungen an die Committee über die revidirte Constitution verwiesen werden, doch sollen dieselben im Protocoll erscheinen.

Anläßlich dieses wurde ferner

Beschlossen, daß eine Extra-Versammlung dieses Ministeriums im Januar, in der Kirche der Heiligen Communion in Philadelphia, Ehrw. Dr. Seiß, Pastor, gehalten werde, um die vorliegende revidirte Constitution zu berathen und anzunehmen.

Die Bestimmung der Zeit dieser Versammlung wurde den Synodalbeamten überlassen.

Der Bericht über den Präsidialbericht wurde nun als Ganzes angenommen

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Pastor E. Smith verlas den

Bericht der Committee über die Bittschrift mehrerer deutschen Gemeinden.

Derselbe wurde zur Besprechung entgegengenommen. Eine längere Diskussion folgte, doch ehe es zu einer Entscheidung oder Abstimmung kam, vertagte sich die Versammlung mit Gebet von Pastor S. E. Ochsenford.

Um 4 Uhr besuchte die Synode in corpore das Lafayette College. Der Präsident der Anstalt, Dr. Knox, führte die Besucher durch die verschiedenen Räume des Gebäudes. In der Aula wurden passende Ansprachen gehalten.

Achte Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 22. Juni 1886, Vorm. 8½ Uhr.

Der Ehrw. H. B. Strodach leitete die Andacht.

Die Verhandlungen der siebenten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Auf Vorschlag wurde die regelmäßige Geschäfts-Ordnung aufgehoben, um den Bericht der Directoren des Mühlenberg-Collegiums zu hören. Derselbe wurde von Ehrw. J. D. Schindel verlesen und lautet, wie folgt:

Bericht des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenberg-Collegiums.

Der Verwaltungsrath des Mühlenberg-Collegiums erstattet achtungsvoll folgenden Bericht:

Bei der Jahressitzung des Verwaltungsraths, am 24. Juni 1885, händigte Ehrw. Dr. B. Sadtler seine Resignation als Präsident ein, wobei er wünschte, am 31. December 1885 seines Amtes entledigt zu werden. Da er den Verwaltungsrath seiner Absicht versicherte, seine noch übrigen Jahre in Zurückgezogenheit zuzubringen, wurde seine Resignation angenommen. Es wurden durch eine dazu ernannte Committee Beschlüsse gefaßt, welche der hohen Achtung, die der Verwaltungsrath für den Scheidenden hegte, den geeigneten Ausdruck verleihen sollten. Die Executiv-Committee wurde ermächtigt, eine Spezial-Versammlung des Verwaltungsraths zu berufen, um die Wahl eines Nachfolgers für Präsident Sadtler vorzunehmen. Bei dieser Jahressitzung wurde Ehrw. J. A. Bauman zum „Asa Packer Professor" an Stelle des abtretenden Professors, W. Thomas, gewählt. Prof. Bauman nahm den Ruf an und begann seine Thätigkeit am 1. September 1885.

Der Verwaltungsrath trat am 5. November 1885 zu der Specialsitzung zusammen, zum Zwecke der Wahl eines neuen Präsidenten. Prof. Theo. L. Seip wurde einstimmig erwählt und sollte am 1. Januar 1886 sein Amt antreten. Am 19. November nahm er den Ruf an, und wurde am 6. Januar 1886 in der St. Johns-Kirche zu Allentown durch den Präsidenten des Ministeriums, Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Krotel, in das Amt feierlich eingeführt. Außer Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Krotel hielten noch andere Glieder des Ministeriums geeignete Ansprachen, nämlich: Ehrw. Dr. F. A. Mühlenberg, der erste Präsident des Collegiums; Ehrw. W. Rath, Präsident des Verwaltungsraths, und

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Ehrw. Dr. C. W. Schäffer. Vorsitzer der Facultät des Theologischen Seminars. Den würdigen Schluß machte die Antrittsrede des neuen Präsidenten.

Die halbjährliche Sitzung des Verwaltungsraths fand am 6. Januar 1886 statt, wobei die Anstellung eines Finanz-Agenten in Berathung gezogen wurde. Diese Sache wurde der Executiv-Committee überwiesen und Letzere zum Handeln ermächtigt. Am 30. März erwählte die Executiv-Committee, nach reiflicher Erwägung, Ehrw. C. J. Cooper zum Agenten. Am 1. Juni sollte er sein Amt antreten. Ehrw. C. J. Cooper nahm den Ruf an und hat seine Thätigkeit bereits begonnen.

Die akademische Abtheilung ist unter denselben Bedingungen wie letztes Jahr von den Professoren Ettinger und Dieter geleitet worden. Nach dem Katalog für 1885—86 waren während des 19. Schuljahres 119 Studenten anwesend, und zwar 56 im Collegium und 63 in der Akademie. Die graduirende Classe dieses Jahres zählt 16 Studenten; 9 haben sich für das Studium der Theologie entschieden, und einige der übrigen gehen deswegen noch mit sich selbst zu Rathe. Die ganze Zeit hindurch hat in der Anstalt vortreffliche Ordnung geherrscht; der Unterricht ist in gründlicher Weise ertheilt worden, und die jungen Leute haben lobenswerthe Fortschritte in dem Studium gemacht. Neben den regelmäßigen Lehrstunden wurden im letzten Termin außerordentliche Vorlesungen vor der ganzen Studentenschaft gehalten. Die Redner waren Ehrw. Dr. S. A. Repaß, Ehrw. G. F. Spieker und Dr. F. W. Mühlenberg, von der 1868er Classe. Dieser Cursus hat der Anstalt keine Auslagen verursacht.

Die Bibliothek des Collegiums ist nach dem ersten Stockwerk verlegt und dadurch zugänglicher gemacht worden. Sie hat neuerdings durch werthvolle Geschenke von Büchern erheblichen Zuwachs erfahren. Innerhalb und außerhalb des Gebäudes sind ausgedehnte Ausbesserungen und Verschönerungen vorgenommen, die Capelle und die Lehrzimmer al fresco gemalt und eine neue Orgel, Bibel u. s. w. für die Capelle geschenkt worden. Die Reparaturen und Verbesserungen wurden von freigebigen Freunden der Anstalt bezahlt.

Mit dieser Synode geht die Dienstzeit folgender Verwaltungsräthe zu Ende: Ehrw. G. A. Hinterleitner, S. A. Ziegenfuß, J. W. Early, J. F. Wampole, C. J. Cooper, J. F. Ohl und Herren J. K. Mosser, Dr. H. A. Grim, C. H. Schäffer, Esq., und H. Lehmann. Zwei der ältesten und thätigsten Glieder des Verwaltungsraths sind während des vergangenen Jahres dahingeschieden: Achtb. R. E. Wright und C. W. Cooper, Esq. Beidemal wurden von der Facultät Beileidsbeschlüsse gefaßt und eine Abordnung des Verwaltungsraths sammt der Facultät wohnten den Leichenbegängnissen bei. Durch den Tod dieser Verwaltungsräthe sind zwei Sitze leer geworden, die bei dieser Synode wieder ausgefüllt werden müssen. Die Dienstzeit der Verstorbenen wäre nächstes Jahr (1887) zu Ende gegangen.

Die jährliche Bewilligung von $1000 ist ausbezahlt und weise angewendet worden. Die Erneuerung derselben ist noch ebenso nöthig wie bisher. Da sich die Darstellung der diesjährigen Finanzlage von der letztjährigen nur wenig unterscheiden würde, halten wir es nicht für nöthig, dieselbe vorzulegen. Die Schuldenlast der Anstalt hat sich durch die Uebernahme eines immerwährenden Stipendiums (scholarship) um $1000 verringert.

Allentown, Pa., den 12. Juni A. D. 1886.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet von

J. D. Schindel, Sekretär des Verwaltungsraths.

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Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Hierauf wurde der Bericht der Committee über die Bittschrift mehrerer deutschen Gemeinden wieder zur Besprechung vorgenommen und nach eingehender Discussion

Beschlossen, daß dieser Bericht, sowie die Bittschrift, worauf sich derselbe bezieht, und alle Vorschläge darüber, welche jetzt der Synode vorliegen, an die Committee über die revidirte Constitution verwiesen werde, damit diese Committee in gehöriger Form solche Bestimmungen in der Constitution vorschlage, auf daß die Frage der Organisation von Conferenzen auf Grund der Sprachen bei der Extra-Versammlung im Januar vor die Synode zur Verhandlung kommen möge.

Auch wurde es den Conferenzen anempfohlen, bei ihrer Versammlung, vor der Spezial-Versammlung, diese ganze Angelegenheit zu berathen.

Hierauf schritt man zur Wahl der Trustees des Mühlenberg-Collegiums mit folgenden Wahlaufsehern: Pastoren S. A. Ziegenfuß, E. H. Pohle, J. H. Kuder, Herren J. Redline und Henry Beineman.

Nachdem der Antrag gestellt und angenommen war, daß der Bericht der Delegaten zum General-Concil um halb fünf Uhr diesen Nachmittag an die Tagesordnung kommen und die Wahl der Delegaten sich demselben anschließen soll, vertagte sich die Versammlung. Pastor H. Grahn sprach das Schlußgebet.

Neunte Sitzung..

Dienstag, den 22. Juni 1886, 2 Uhr Nachm.

Eröffnet in üblicher Weise durch Pastor F. P. Bender.

Nachdem die Verhandlungen der Vormittags-Sitzung verlesen, verbessert und angenommen waren, verlas Dr. B. M. Schmucker den

Bericht der Kirchenbuch-Committee.

Der Verwaltungsrath der Allgemeinen Kirchenversammlung machte Anspruch bei Ihrer Committee um eine Entscheidung des Verhältnisses dieses Körpers zu dem englischen Kirchenbuch und dem Einkommen aus demselben. Derselbe verlangt, daß etliche Glieder dieser Committee bevollmächtigt werden möchten mit etlichen Trustees, die seinerseits dazu beauftragt werden sollen, sich zu berathen, ob nicht ein gerechtes und befriedigendes Verständniß in dieser Angelegenheit zu Stande gebracht werden könnte. Bei einer Versammlung dieser beiden Theile wurden folgende Thatsachen mitgetheilt und Vorschläge vereinbart, um diesem Ministerium, sowie der Allgemeinen Kirchenversammlung unterbreitet zu werden:

Die Auslagen für die Vorbereitungsarbeiten des Kirchenbuches wurden von dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien getragen. Diese, mit Einschluß vorläufiger Druckarbeiten in etlichen aufeinander folgenden Pamphleten der Gottesdienst-Ordung, der Oktav-Liturgie von anno 1860, des Druckes der Probeauflage der Liedersammlung, der Herstellung der Platten für den etliche Jahre darauf erfolgten ganzen liturgischen Theil, sind die ganzen Kosten der Vorbe-

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reitung und Herausgabe dieser aufeinander folgenden Publikationen. Außerdem verlangt die Allgemeine Kirchenversammlung, daß die Committee bevollmächtigt werde, eine möglichst vollständige Sammlung der Liturgien und liturgischen Werke, welche zur befriedigenden Erfüllung der Aufgabe, beides in englischer und deutscher Sprache des Kirchenbuchs nothwendig waren. Nach Vollendung des Werkes sollen diese Bücher in der Bibliothek des Seminars zu Philadelphia aufbewahrt werden. Für diesen Zweck sind über $900 verausgabt worden. Die Allgemeine Kirchenversammlung verlangt gleichfalls, daß die nöthigen Auslagen der Sub-Committee für die Vorbereitungsarbeiten der Ministerialhandlungen, sowie der Repräsentanten der Committee in der dreifachen Committee für die Vorbereitung eines gemeinsamen Buches für die Gottesdienst-Ordnung in englischer Sprache aus dieser Kasse getragen werden. Auch sind für mehrere Jahre alljährlich etliche hundert Thaler für allgemeine Auslagen an den Schatzmeister der Allgemeinen Kirchenversammlung ausbezahlt worden.

Die Committee dieser Conferenz schlägt vor:

1. Daß das Einkommen, welches dieses Ministerium aus dem Verkauf des Kirchenbuchs hatte, erklärt werde als mit den Auslagen sich ausgleichend.

2. Daß von dieser Zeit an dieses Ministerium der Allgemeinen Kirchenversammlung für das ganze Einkommen des englischen Kirchenbuches Rechnung ablegen soll.

3. Daß die jetzt in den Händen des Schatzmeisters sich befindenden aufgelaufenen Prämien im Betrag von $1298.93 zur Verfügung dieser Rechnung bereitgehalten werden.

4. Daß die Verfügung über diese Fonds, die jetzt auf Hand sind und künftig sich mehren werden, dem Verständniß zwischen der Allgemeinen Kirchenversammlung und diesem Ministerium unterworfen sei, indem große Summen Geldes erforderlich sein werden bei der Vollendung der Ordnung der Ministerialhandlungen und der allgemeinen englischen Liturgie, sowie zur Herstellung neuer Platten für den ganzen liturgischen Theil des Buches und zur Lieferung der verschiedenen Formate und Größen, die verlangt werden mögen.

5. Daß zur Erhaltung und Uebertragung des zukünftigen vollständigen Kirchenbuches, das Recht und Eigenthum, das jetzt von diesem Ministerium gehalten wird, auch fortdauere und das Kirchenbuch und dessen Publikation mit allen Rechten und Titel diesem Ministerium anvertraut und von demselben verwaltet werden soll.

Der Bericht wurde Punkt für Punkt besprochen und angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß die Kirchenbuch-Committee dieses Ministeriums ermächtigt sei, den vorgeschlagenen Vertrag einzugehen, wie er im vierten und fünften Punkt des Berichts erwähnt wird.

Da Dr. B. M. Schmucker beabsichtigte, Dienstag Abend, zur Versammlung der Committee für die Vorbereitung einer gemeinsamen Gottesdienst-Ordnung nach Roanoke, Va., abzureisen, wurde er, auf seinen Wunsch, nach der Nachmittag-Sitzung entschuldigt und angewiesen, den Brüdern im Süden die brüderlichen Grüße unserer Synode zu überbringen.

Pastor F. P. Bender stattete folgenden Bericht ab:

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Bericht der Committee über Conferenz-Verhandlungen.

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll wie folgt:

I. Versammlungen.

Alle Conferenzen hielten während des verflossenen Jahres die regelmäßigen halbjährigen Versammlungen.

II. Gegenstände von der Synode an die Conferenzen verwiesen.

1. Theilung großer Pfarr-Distriete.

Die erste und dritte Conferenz haben über diese Angelegenheit nichts zu berichten.

Die zweite Conferenz hat Schritte gethan, etliche große Pfarrstellen zu theilen.

Die vierte Conferenz hat zur Zeit keine Pfarrstellen, die der Theilung bedürfen.

Die fünfte Conferenz beschloß:

a) Daß wir von ganzem Herzen dafür sind und uns ernstlich bemühen werden, alles was geschieht, unsere großen Stellen zu theilen, zu unterstützen.

b) Daß, um auf dieses Ziel hinzuwirken, wir unsere Gemeinden dringend ermahnen, keine gemeinschaftlichen Kirchen mehr zu bauen.

c) Daß, wo solche gemeinschaftliche Kirchen sich finden, wir unsern Gemeinden ernstlich rathen, sich ihre eigene Gemeinde-Ordnung zu verschaffen und sich besonders und für sich incorporiren zu lassen als lutherische Gemeinden.

2. „College Tag."

Die erste Conferenz ist nicht bereit die Bestimmung eines solchen Tages gut zu heißen.

Die dritte Conferenz hält es nicht für rathsam, einen Tag als „College Tag" zu bestimmen und empfiehlt, daß wir öfters und ernstlich unsern Gemeinden die Ansprüche des Mühlenberg-Collegiums vorhalten.

Die zweite und vierte Conferenz billigen die Bestimmung eines Sonntags während der Epiphaniaszeit als „College Tag".

Ebenso die fünfte Conferenz, ohne jedoch eine besondere Zeit zu erwähnen.

3. Unterstützungs-Vereine.

Die dritte und vierte Conferenz haben diese Sache besprochen, jedoch keinen Beschluß darüber gefaßt.

Die erste Conferenz ernannte eine Committee, um die Grundsätze der Organisation solcher Vereine darzustellen, faßte jedoch keinen Beschluß und die Committee besteht fort.

Die fünfte Conferenz beschloß:

a) Daß wir die Gründung solcher Vereine billigen.

b) Daß wir die Synode ersuchen, eine Committee, bestehend aus einem Glied aus jeder Conferenz, zu ernennen, um einen Plan zu entwerfen, nach welchem diese Sache betrieben werden mag.

Die zweite Conferenz beschloß Folgendes:

a) Daß nach unserem Dafürhalten diese Vereine zu jener Klasse von Ge-

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sellschaften gehören, deren Grundsätze und Praxis durchaus geschäftlicher Art sind und die gegenseitige Unterstützung bloß die Bezahlung gewisser Gelder ist, in der Erwartung unter gewissen möglichen Umständen ein befriedigendes Aequivalent zu bekommen. Daher gehören sie nach unserem Dafürhalten nicht zu den Dingen, welche die Aufmerksamkeit solcher Körperschaften in Anspruch nehmen sollten, die geistliche Wahrheit und inneres Leben zum Mittelpunkt ihres Denkens und Handelns haben.

b) Daß wir der Synode empfehlen, nicht über diese Sache zu verhandeln, weder zu Gunsten solcher Vereine noch gegen dieselben.

c) Daß wir der Synode empfehlen, auf das sorgfältige Studium und auf wirksameres Ausüben der christlichen Liebe in der Unterstützung aller würdigen und leidenden Gemeindeglieder zu dringen, abgesehen davon, wie viel sie zur Gemeinde an Geld beigetragen haben, oder wie lange sie solcher Hilfe bedürfen mögen.

d) Daß wir auf eine solche Aenderung des Gebrauchs der Pfarrwittwen- und Waisenkasse dringen, wenn solche nöthig sein sollte, so daß der Fond für die Unterstützung von Pastoren im aktiven Dienst angewendet werden kann, wenn solche zeitweilig dienstunfähig sind, oder ärztlicher Behandlung bedürfen, deren Kosten über ihre eigenen Geldmittel hinausgehen, oder die wegen einer besonderen Heimsuchung durch die Hand des Herrn der Hilfe bedürfen — sowie auch emeritirter Pastoren und ihrer Wittwen, und daß solche Unterstützung mit Genehmigung der Synodalbeamten geschehe.

4. Diaconissen-Sache.

Die dritte Conferenz hat dieser Sache noch keine Aufmerksamkeit geschenkt.

Die anderen Conferenzen haben diese Angelegenheit besprochen, freuen sich über das gute Werk, welches im Deutschen Hospital zu Philadelphia gethan worden ist, und sind in herzlicher Sympathie mit der Diakonissen-Sache.

Die zweite Conferenz wird den Gegenstand bei zukünftigen Versammlungen weiter besprechen; sowie auch die fünfte Conferenz, welche Thesen darüber ausgearbeitet hat.

III. Gegenstände von Conferenzen an die Synode verwiesen.

Die fünfte Conferenz lenkt die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf folgende Angelegenheiten:

1. In Bezug auf Commissäre (Commissioners)

bittet diese Conferenz die Synode zu entscheiden über:

a) Die Schicklichkeit der Aufnahme von Commissären; (sollte die Synode entscheiden, solchen den Zutritt zu gestatten).

b) Die Art ihrer Ernennung.

c) Wen sie repräsentiren sollen.

d) Die Weise ihrer Aufnahme.

e) Ihr Stand und Stellung in Synode und Conferenz.

2. Gemeinschaftliche Kirchen.

Die fünfte Conferenz ersucht die Synode, darüber eine Sammlung der bestehenden Regeln und Bestimmungen der Synode zu verfassen und zu veröffentlichen.

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IV. Vorschläge der Committee.

1. Daß in Betreff der Unterstützungs-Vereine, die Ehrw. Synode die Handlung der zweiten Conferenz zu der ihren machen möge, nämlich, nicht über diese Sache zu verhandeln, weder zu Gunsten solcher Vereine noch gegen dieselben.
2. Betreffend die Aufnahme von Commissären, schlägt die Committee der Ehrw. Synode vor, sogleich die von der fünften Conferenz gestellten Fragen zu beantworten.

Achtungsvoll

F. P. Bender, Secr. I. Conferenz,
L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secr. II. Conferenz,
J. M. Anspach, englischer Secr. II. Conferenz,
J. N. S. Erb, Secr. III. Conferenz,
H. N. Fegley, Secr. IV. Conferenz,
J. H. Neimann, Secr. V. Conferenz.

Die beiden Vorschläge in diesem Bericht wurden in Erwägung gezogen. In Bezug auf den ersten wurde

Beschlossen, daß in Betreff der Unterstützungs-Vereine gegenwärtig nicht gehandelt werde, da diese Angelegenheit dem General-Concil zur Berathung vorliegt.

Der zweite Vorschlag wurde an die Committee über die revidirte Constitution verwiesen, und alsdann der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz berichtete, daß im Laufe des Jahres ungefähr $800 für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors im Mühlenberg-Collegium eingegangen seien.

Hierauf wurde

Beschlossen, die Pastoren und Gemeinden zu bitten, im kommenden Jahre ihre Beiträge zu erneuern. Und

Beschlossen, daß dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt werde.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas den

Bericht der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich achtungsvoll zu berichten, daß die ganze im letzten Jahr für die wohlthätigen Zwecke der Synode erhobene Summe, den Parochial-Berichten gemäß, sich auf $18,633.20 beläuft, während die Beiträge des vorhergehenden Jahres sich auf $18,844.96 beliefen.

Tabelle No. II zeigt die Summe der im verflossenen Jahre erwarteten Beiträge, ferner die bis dato berichteten Einzahlungen und die für das neu angetretene Jahr zugetheilten Auflagen.

Die für dieses Synodaljahr nöthigen Gelder sind für folgende Zwecke:

Synodalzwecke	$3,000 00
Erziehung	6,000 00
Theologisches Seminar	1,283 70
Mühlenberg-Collegium	1,000 00
Einheimische Mission (Penna. Synode) / Stadtmission (Philadelphia)	6,500 00
Heidenmission	3,500 00
	$21,283 70

Achtungsvoll,

Die Committee.

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Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt.

Pastor E. H. Pohle berichtete die Erwählung folgender

Trustees des Mühlenberg-Collegiums:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. A. Hinterleitner,	Herr J. K. Moser,
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß,	„ C. H. Schäffer, Esq.,
„ C. J. Cooper,	„ E. A. Albright,
„ Dr. S. A. Repaß,	„ R. Baur,
„ J. F. Wampole,	„ J. W. Säger, für 1 Jahr,
„ J. F. Ohl.	„ R. E. Wright, Esq., für 1 Jahr.

Pastor T. T. Jäger verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Aufnahme von Gemeinden.

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll:

Daß folgende drei Gemeinden um Aufnahme in unsern Synodal-Verband bitten:

1. Die deutsche ev.-luth. Christus-Gemeinde in Philadelphia. Diese Gemeinde ist mit Zustimmung und unter Mitwirkung ihres früheren Pastors, Dr. Späth, aus dessen Gemeinde ausgegangen, und hat zu ihrem Pastor den jungen Bruder J. Witke erwählt, welcher letzte Woche in unser Ministerium aufgenommen wurde. Ihre Committee hat die Kirchenordnung dieser Gemeinde sorgfältig gelesen, fand dieselbe in Uebereinstimmung mit der von der Synode empfohlenen und schlägt diese Gemeinde zur Aufnahme vor.

2. Die deutsche Gemeinde in Woodbury, N. J. Diese Gemeinde hat bis hieher zur presbyterianischen Kirche gehört, ist aber zur lutherischen Kirche zurückgekehrt, von welcher ihre Glieder ausgegangen waren, und hat den Ehrw. B. H. Warnke zu ihrem Pastor erwählt. Der Abgeordnete gab Ihrer Committee die Versicherung, daß die Gemeinde die vom General-Concil empfohlene Gemeinde-Ordnung angenommen habe. Ihre Committee schlägt diese Gemeinde zur Aufnahme vor.

3. Die ev.-luth. Christus-Kirche in Douglas Township, Montgomery Co., Pa. Die beigelegte Kirchen-Ordnung dieser Gemeinde ist befriedigend und ihre Committee schlägt dieselbe zur Aufnahme vor.

Achtungsvoll,

E. A Bauer,
W. S. Emery,
Thos. T. Jäger,
W. Gerhard,
Henry Smith.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung entgegengenommen und

Beschlossen 1., die deutsche Christus-Gemeinde zu Philadelphia (Ehrw. J. Witke, Pastor,) aufzunehmen.

Der Delegat dieser Gemeinde, Herr G. Mößner, wurde eingeführt.

Beschlossen 2., daß wir uns freuen, daß die deutsche Gemeinde in Woodbury, N. J., einen lutherischen Pastor erwählt hat, und daß diese Gemeinde als in die Synode aufgenommen zu betrachten sei, sobald sie der ersten Districts-

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Conferenz oder deren Präsidenten, eine Gemeinde-Ordnung, die im Einklang mit der Ordnung der Synode oder des General-Conzils steht, vorlegt, und daß, bis dies geschehen, die betreffende Committee dieser Gemeinde mit Rath beistehen soll.

Beschlossen 3., die ev.-luth. Christus-Gemeinde in Douglas Township, Montgomery Co., Pa., aufzunehmen.

Der Bericht wurde als Ganzes angenommen.

Pastor H. H. Bruning theilte mit, daß die Committee über Parochial-Berichte ihre Arbeit vollendet habe.

Die Committee wurde entlassen

Pastor Schantz lenkte wiederum die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf das Gesuch der Deutschen Einheimischen Missions-Committee um Unterstützung für die Erziehung junger Leute in Deutschland. Die Zeit reichte jedoch nicht aus, um zu einem Beschluß zu gelangen.

Der hochwürdige Präsident verlas ein Telegramm, in welchem die Schwedische Augustana Synode, zur Zeit in Minneapolis versammelt, unserer Synode ihre brüderlichen Grüße zusandte, mit Hinweis auf das Schriftwort: Hebr. 13, 20—21. Unterzeichnet von E. Carlson, Präsident. Die Beamten der Synode wurden beauftragt, eine passende Antwort darauf, mit Dank, zu geben. In der Antwort wurde Hebr. 13, 20—21 angeführt.

Dr. E. H. Jacobs stattete folgenden Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil ab.

Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Die achtzehnte Versammlung des General-Concils, gehalten in der St. Johannis-Kirche, Philadelphia, Pa., vom 15.—21. October 1885, wurde von dreiundreißig aus den vierunddreißig Delegaten, welche von dieser Synode erwählt wurden, besucht. Der ganze Körper wurde besser besucht und der Arbeit mehr Zeit gewidmet als je zuvor. Die Vorlagen zum Gebrauch bei der Taufe von Kindern, sowie auch bei der Confirmations-Handlung, wurden von der Kirchenbuchs-Committee eingereicht, eingehend besprochen und endlich angenommen.

Die allgemeine Gottesdienst-Ordnung, nach der reinen lutherischen Liturgie des 16. Jahrhunderts, einstimmig auf einer allgemeinen Versammlung der einzelnen Committeen des Conzils und der zwei General-Synoden empfohlen, wurde einstimmig angenommen.

Die Committee der äußeren Mission legte einen sehr ausführlichen Bericht über ihre Arbeit vor, deren Erfolg man ersehen kann aus folgender Vergleichs-Tabelle:

	1884.	1885.
Missionare im Felde	3	3
Missionsfrauen	2	2
Missionare wegen Krankheit abwesend	1	1
„ nach Indien gesandt	1	1
Eingeborene Pastoren	2	2
Nicht ordinirte Evangelisten und Catecheten	3	5
Lehrer	60	61
Schüler in den Rajahmundry Missions-Schulen	419	429
„ „ Distrikts-Schulen	379	575
Getauft	356	482
Confirmirt	6	13
Communicanten	479	842
Getaufte Christen	1156	1705

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Die Ausgaben für die laufenden Jahre wurden auf $15,000 geschätzt.

Ein Plan von Regulationen, von der Committee vorgeschlagen, für die Leitung der Missionen, wurde sorgfältig erwogen und nach einigen Zusätzen angenommen.

Die Committee der englischen inneren Mission meldete bedeutende Fortschritte in ihren verschiedenen Feldern, nämlich: Dreieinigkeit, Chicago, Pastor C. Körner, Missionar; Wicker Park, Chicago, Pastor F. C. C. Kähler, Missionar; St. Johannes, Minneapolis, Pastor G. H. Trabert, Missionar; Toledo, O., Pastor S. L. Harkey, D.D., Missionar; Gedächtniß-Kirche, St. Paul, Minnesota, Pastor A. J. D. Haupt, Missionar; Red Wing und andere Punkte in Minnesota, gelegentlich von Minneapolis aus bedient, und besonders in der Eröffnung einer neuen und verheißenden Arbeits-Sphäre in Dakota, unter den Pastoren W. F. Ulery und W. O. Wilson. Die Quittungen während des Jahres beliefen sich auf $4106 93.

Die Committee der deutschen einheimischen Mission berichtete, daß Stellen mit Missionaren und Pastoren besetzt seien in Folge ihrer Arbeit, innerhalb der Synoden von Canada, Michigan, Texas, Pittsburgh und Pennsylvanien, und im Staat Nebraska.

Sieben junge Männer, die den vollen Cursus in der Anstalt zu Kropp durchgemacht, wären schon empfangen worden und noch weitere 50, darunter auch die in der Vorbereitungs-Schule eingeschlossen sind, besuchten die Anstalt und würden vorbereitet für die Missions-Arbeit des General-Conzils. Außerdem habe die Committee 2 Studenten im Seminar zu Philadelphia unter ihrer Versorgung, einen im Thiel-College, einen in Erlangen und einen in Hermannsburg. $775.00 seien ausgegeben worden zum Unterhalt einheimischer Missionare, und fast $5000 für die Erziehungs-Arbeit der Committeen und für Reisekosten. Das Proseminar zu Rochester, N. Y., so wurde berichtet, habe während des Jahres sehr guten Fortschritt gemacht.

Die Committee der schwedischen einheimischen Mission, deren ganze Arbeit und Aufmerksamkeit der schwedischen Augustana-Synode gewidmet ist, meldete, daß über $11,000 von ihrer Synode für einheimische Missionen seien ausgegeben worden, und bat das Concil dringend, in der englischen Missionsarbeit unter ihren Leuten recht thätig zu sein.

Eine Anfrage, vorgelegt von der Committee der deutschen einheimischen Mission, von lutherischen Pastoren in Bayern und übersandt durch Dr. Luthardt von Leipzig, auch von Dr. Kliefoth unterzeichnet, betreffs der Errichtung einer Schule für die Vorbereitung von Studenten für das Seminar in Philadelphia, wurde abgelehnt wegen der Menge anderer Verantwortlichkeiten.

Des Emigranten-Missionswerkes in New York wurde auch gedacht und wurde dasselbe von neuem der Sympathie und der fortgesetzten Unterstützung von Seiten der verschiedenen Kirchen empfohlen.

Ein Plan wurde vorgelegt von einer Committee, ernannt für diesen Zweck, zum Ueberschlag der Kosten von Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Die nächste Versammlung des General-Concils wird am 3. Donnerstag im Oktober 1886, in der evangelisch-lutherischen Dreieinigkeits-Kirche, Chicago, Ill., Pastor C. Körner, abgehalten werden.

Die Delegation.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Man schritt hierauf zur Wahl der Delegaten an das General-Concil.

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Als Wahlaufseher fungirten die Pastoren B. F. Apple, F. K. Berndt, W. H. Geiger und die Herren A. Bendel, C. W. Miller, Wm. Hauff.

Pastor F. Wischan stellte der Synode den Ehrw. G. C. Berkemeyer, Direktor der Wartburg Waisen-Heimath zu Mt. Vernon, N. Y., und Glied des New York Ministeriums, vor. Derselbe wurde vom ehrw. Präsidenten herzlich bewillkommt.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor H. N. Fegley.

Zehnte Sitzung.

Mittwoch, den 23. Juni 1886, 8½ Uhr Vorm.

Pastor D. M. Stetler eröffnete die zehnte und letzte Sitzung mit dem üblichen Gottesdienst.

Die Verhandlungen der neunten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Hierauf verlas Pastor B. F. Apple das Resultat der Wahl für

Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D.D., ex officio,	Herr W. H. Staake, Esq.,
„ A. Späth, D.D.,	„ A. W. Potteiger,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D.D.,	„ H. Lehman,
„ W. J. Mann, D.D.,	„ C. D. Norton,
„ H. E. Jacobs, D.D.,	„ W. Hauff,
„ J. A. Seiß, D.D. L.L.D.,	„ J. A. Geissenhainer,
„ J. Fry, D.D.,	„ C. R. Lantz, Esq.,
„ H. Grahn,	„ J. B. Zimmele,
„ G. F. Spieker,	„ J. J. Mohr,
„ M. C. Horine,	„ H. Beates,
„ F. J. F. Schantz,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ S. Laird, D.D.,	Prof. A. Rambo,
„ D. H. Geissinger,	Herr A. G. Saylor,
„ J. F. Ohl,	„ J. C. File,
„ C. J. Cooper,	„ R. A. Bär,
„ J. N. S. Erb,	„ W. G. Heller,
„ G. W. Frederick.	„ C. H. Schäffer, Esq.

Hierauf schritt die Synode zur Wahl der Stellvertreter.

Als Wahl-Committee dienten die Pastoren J. F. Wampole, J. F. C. Fluck und die Herren Born, Emery, Schimer und Geuther.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte als **Examinations-Committee:** Ehrw. Prof. A. Martin, Dr. J. Fry, Ehrw. G. A. Hinterleitner, Ehrw. G. F. Spieker, Ehrw. Dr. B. Sadtler, Ehrw. J. W. Haßler, Ehrw. J. Kohler, Dr. T. L. Seip, Ehrw. J. J. Kündig.

Das Gesuch um eine Verwilligung an die Deutsche Missions-Committee

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des General-Concils kam nun zur Sprache. Eine längere Besprechung folgte. Das Resultat war die Annahme folgender Beschlüsse:

1. Beschlossen, daß wir die große Bedeutung des deutschen wie des englischen Werkes, sowie die Nothwendigkeit einer mehr allgemeinen und ernsten Unterstützung desselben anerkennen.

2. Daß wir besonders dieses Einheimische Missionswerk, das deutsche wie das englische, der Fürbitte aller unserer Kirchen und Glieder anempfehlen und dieselben ersuchen, dasselbe in recht freigebiger Weise zu unterstützen und dafür wenigstens eine Collecte im Jahr zu halten.

3. Daß in Gemäßheit mit der früher getroffenen Vereinbarung die Executiv-Committee angewiesen sei, im kommenden Jahre keinen Beitrag an die eine oder die andere Einheimische Missions-Committee des General-Concils aus den Einnahmen der Synode zu machen.

Auf Antrag wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Lebensbeschreibungen der entschlafenen Brüder, Ehrw. J. B. Rath und Dr. E. Greenwald im Archiv der Synode aufbewahrt werden sollen.

Dieselbe Committee wurde wieder ernannt, und an Stelle des verstorbenen Dr. Greenwald, von der vierten Conferenz, wurde Pastor C. E. Houpt als Glied dieser Committee ernannt.

Die Committee, welche ernannt war, Vorkehrungen zu treffen, um einen erweiterten Unterrichtscursus in der deutschen Sprache im Seminar einzuführen, berichtete, daß die Directoren mit der Facultät die Vereinbarung getroffen habe,

1. Daß zu Anfang des nächsten Termins im Seminar, die Facultät Vorkehrungen treffen soll, damit die deutsche Sprache beim Unterricht mehr gebraucht werde, je nachdem es sich als möglich erweist und die Umstände es erfordern.

2. Daß die Facultät einen Plan entwerfen und den Directoren bei einer Special-Versammlung im Januar vorlegen soll, nach welchem für den Gebrauch der deutschen Sprache beim Unterricht befriedigende Vorkehrungen getroffen werden sollen, und angeben, welche weiteren Lehrkräfte zur Ausführung dieses Planes nöthig sind.

Pastor D. Sanner berichtete über Entschuldigungen, wie folgt:

Bericht der Entschuldigungs-Committee.

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll, daß von folgenden Brüdern schriftliche Entschuldigungen eingegangen sind: Ehrw. J. H. Fritz, B. Pick, Ph. D., G. F. W. Günsch, H. S. Miller, J. Röller, H. J. Schmidt, D.D., T. Steck, D. E. Reed, C. F. Welden, W. A. Baetes, E. E. Sibole, Prof. A. Martin, C. L. Erle, F. T. Hennicke, J. M. Hantz, J. W. Rumple, A. Späth, D.D., D. M. Martens, H. Weickfel. Mündlich ließen sich entschuldigen: die Brüder G. A. Brügel, A. J. Weddell, J. Jäger.

Da die angegebenen Gründe triftige sind, so schlägt Ihre Committee vor, daß genannte Brüder entschuldigt werden, wie auch die Missionare in Indien, H. C. Schmidt, J. K. Poulsen, F. S. Dietrich, F. J. C. MacCready, W. G. Hudson, N. Paulus, T. Joseph.

Im Laufe der Synodal-Versammlungen wünschten eine Anzahl Brüder für zeitweise Abwesenheit entschuldigt zu werden, nämlich: Ehrw. A. N. J. Gräpp, J. J. Kuntz, J. K. Plitt, J. L. Becker, O. P. Smith, A. J. Long, E. L. Reed, E. S. Brownmiller, A. Linß, F. K. Berndt, B. H. Hunt, W. B. Fox, J. P. German, A. Finfrock, F. P. Mayser, J. D. Schindel, R. Ger-

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lach, J. F. Bayer, J. J. Creßman, J. G. Pfuhl, J. Lazarus, B. Smoll, J. A. und J. Darmstätter, T. N. Ander, M. B. Lenker, F. Berkemeyer, J. F. Wampole, Z. H. Gable, E. L. Miller, S. A. Ziegenfuß, J. N. S. Erb, S. S. Henry, G. F. Spieker.

Delegaten: J. Kuntz, J. L. Kramer, Dr. Mühlenberg, C. R. Lantz, E. J. Manbeck, J. Blum, H. Dietz.

Ihre Committee schlägt vor, daß auch diese entschuldigt werden.

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor E. Smith verlas einen Bericht über Frauenarbeit in der Kirche. Derselbe wurde jedoch an die betreffende Committee zurückgegeben mit der Weisung, nächstes Jahr weiter darüber zu berichten und eine Constitution für solche Vereine vorzulegen.

Auf Antrag von Pastor W. A. Schäffer wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Committee über die neue Constitution angewiesen werde in Erwägung zu ziehen, ob es rathsam sei, solche Veränderungen in der Constitution zu machen, daß es Gemeinden erlaubt werde, zwei Delegaten, einen regelmäßigen Delegaten und einen Stellvertreter zur Synode zu schicken, und daß letzterer in der Abwesenheit des regelmäßigen Delegaten gleiche Rechte mit demselben hat.

Die Committee über einen Freibrief für Gemeinden berichtete Fortschritt und soll fortbestehen.

Der Ort der nächsten jährlichen Versammlung soll bei der Special-Versammlung (Heilige Communion-Kirche, Philadelphia, Januar) bestimmt werden.

Pastor Dr. Krotel wurde als Delegat an das New York Ministerium gewählt und beauftragt, zu dessen 100jähriger Festfeier die Glück- und Segenswünsche unserer Synode zu überbringen.

Auf Antrag von Dr. Seiß wurde die Committee über das Mühlenberg Memorial entlassen.

Die Committee über den Katechismus von Dr. Mann und Dr. Krotel berichtete Fortschritt. Die Committee soll fortbestehen.

Die Empfehlung bezüglich einer besseren Vertheilung der Synodalarbeit (deutsche Verhandlungen von 1885 S. 75 und 76) soll bei der Special-Versammlung in Erwägung gezogen werden.

Ueber den Abschluß der Parochial-Berichte (Letztjährige Verhandlungen S. 76 und 77) wurde

Beschlossen, daß wir den bisherigen Gebrauch, wonach das Synodaljahr mit dem Pfingstsonntag inclusive endet, beibehalten.

Die Empfehlung bezüglich eines „College Tages" wurde auf den Tisch gelegt.

Pastor Early wies wiederum auf eine im Jahr 1881 beschlossene Veränderung der Synodal-Constitution hin, wonach die Namen der Delegaten vor der Synodal-Versammlung an den Secretär zu senden sind. Diese Angelegenheit wurde an die Committee für die Neue Constitution verwiesen.

Hierauf berichtete die Wahl-Committee die Erwählung folgender

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Stellvertreter an das General-Concil.

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. A. Hinterleitner,	Herr L. H. Ließ,
„ B. W. Schmauk,	„ W. S. Bieber,
„ R. Hill,	Prof. R. K. Bührle,
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß,	Herr G. A. Schlechter,
„ H. N. Fegley,	„ H. Wells,
„ E. E. Sibole,	„ Isaak Fegley,
„ Prof. M. H. Richards,	„ J. G. Finley,
„ L. Groh,	„ W. H. Bickel,
„ F. Wischan,	„ Karl Klenk,
„ F. W. Weiskotten,	„ Geo. Reinöhl,
„ C. W. Schäffer, D.D.,	„ M. Sellers,
„ G. D. Bernheim, D.D.,	„ Aug. Bendel,
„ J. M. Anspach,	„ Carl Hahn,
„ J. D. Schindel,	„ E. Buchmann,
„ C. E. Houpt,	„ B. F. Saylor,
„ B. E. Kramlich,	„ Peter Seibert,
„ S. A. Repaß, D.D.	„ John Born.

Auf Antrag von Pastor D. H. Geissinger wurde

Beschlossen, daß eine Committee von fünf Pastoren, einer aus jeder Conferenz, ernannt werde, um der Synode, bei ihrer Special-Versammlung, im Januar, einen Plan vorzulegen, nach welchem, in Zukunft, die Nominationen und Wahlen der Synode gehalten werden sollen.

Die Präsidenten der fünf Districts-Conferenzen wurden als diese Committee ernannt.

Der Christus-Gemeinde, in deren Kirche sich die Synode versammeln durfte, sowie den Schwestergemeinden und deren Pastoren, wurde für die erwiesene gastfreundliche Aufnahme, laut Beschluß, der herzliche Dank der Synode ausgesprochen. Ebenso dankte die Synode den Berichterstattern und dem Postmeister der Stadt Easton.

Die Sekretäre wurden beauftragt, die nöthigen Exemplare der Synodal-Verhandlungen in englischer und deutscher Sprache drucken zu lassen.

Nachdem die Verhandlungen dieser zehnten und letzten Sitzung verlesen und angenommen waren, vertagte sich die Synode, Mittags 12 Uhr, und wurde nach üblicher liturgischer Ordnung und mit dem Gesang des Liedes: „Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott" beschlossen.

L. Lindenstruth,
Deutscher Secretär.

Easton, Pa., den 23. Juni 1886.

Unvollendete Geschäfte.

1. Ordinationsscheine. Siehe Seite 49.
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Angelegenheiten an die Conferenzen verwiesen.

1. Die Errichtung einer deutschen Conferenz. Siehe Seite 55.
2. Sicherung der Beiträge für den Seminarbau. Siehe Seite 50.
3. Synodal-Beschluß über Dokumente und Protokolle der Conferenzen. Deutsche Verhandlungen von 1886 S. 51 f. Siehe Seite 28.

2. Ministerial-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

Christus-Kirche, Easton, Pa.

Donnerstag, den 17. Juni 1886, Nachm. 5 Uhr.

Ehrw. B. Sadtler, D.D., als Vorsitzer der Examinations-Committee, berichtete, daß die Committee Herrn Candidat Friedrich Johnson Bergmann aus Island, soweit es die Zeit erlaubte, geprüft habe, und die baldmöglichste Ordination desselben, angesichts der Bitte von Seiten der isländischen Synode und der Facultät unseres Seminars, empfehlen.

(Herr Bergmann gedachte noch in der Nacht nach Dakota abzureisen, woselbst Ende dieses Monats eine Synodal-Versammlung stattfindet. Zuvor besucht er Ansiedlungen der Isländer in Wisconsin und Minnesota.)

Das Ministerium beschloß, den jungen Bruder sofort zu ordinieren, was auf feierliche Weise von den Synodalbeamten nun geschah.

Die in der Nähe der Kirche sich befindenden Laien wurde zu dieser Handlung eingeladen.

Vertagt.

Zweite Sitzung.

Freitag, den 18. Juni 1886, 4.45 Uhr Nachm.

Die Examinations-Committee stattete durch ihren Sekretär, Pastor G. F. Spieker, folgenden weiteren Bericht ab:

Bericht der Examinations-Committee.

Ihre Committee bittet um Erlaubniß zu berichten, daß in Betreff folgender Applicanten, welche zur Ordination zugelassen werden möchten, das vorge-

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schriebene Examen abgehalten und befriedigend bestanden wurde und wir deshalb die Ordination derselben empfehlen:

Johann Eusebius Berly von Virginien;
Wilhelm Röde Brown von Virginien;
Claus Peter Emil Buttermann aus Deutschland;
Johann James Foust von Allentown, Pa.;
Paul Franz August Glasow aus Deutschland;
Franz Kayser von Philadelphia, Pa.;
Thurston Orville Keister von Virginien;
Johann Jakob Kline von Pennsylvanien;
Emil Conrad Johann Kräling von Deutschland;
Jeremiah Heinrich Ritter von Pennsylvanien;
James Oliver Schlenker von Pennsylvanien;
Wilhelm Franz Schöner von Pennsylvanien;
Johann Shunk von Pennsylvanien;
Johann Wilhelm Smith von Virginien;
Heinrich Alexander Trexler von Nord Carolina;
Benjamin Gaby Welder von Pennsylvanien;

Ferner, daß folgende Prediger, zur Aufnahme ins Ministerium, demselben empfohlen werden:

Ehrw. J. A. Baumann von der schwedischen Augustana-Synode;
Ehrw. J. A. Scheffer von der Pittsburg-Synode;
Ehrw. G. C. Gardner von der Distrikts-Synode von Ohio;
Ehrw. S. A. Repaß, D.D., von der Virginia-Synode;
Ehrw. L. H. Geschwind vom New York Ministerium;
Ehrw. Johannes Heck, von der Evangelischen Kirche A. C. in Oestreich;
Ehrw. Bernhard Hermann Warnke vom New York Ministerium.
Ehrw. Johann Witke vom New York Ministerium;
Ehrw. Heinrich Cölestin Schmieder vom New York Ministerium;
Ehrw. Otto Carl Konrad vom New York Ministerium;

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

B. Sadtler,
Vorsitzer.

G. F. Spieker,
Secretär der Committee.

Der Bericht wurde zur Besprechung entgegengenommen und, auf Vorschlag, zuerst der Theil des Berichts, welcher sich auf die Aufnahme der ordinirten Prediger bezieht, vorgenommen. Es wurde über jeden Applicanten einzeln abgestimmt. Die Aufnahme folgender Pastoren in das Ministerium wurde in dieser Sitzung beschlossen: Ehrw. J. A. Baumann, J. A. Scheffer, G. C. Gardner, S. A. Repaß, D.D., L. H. Geschwind, Johannes Heck, B. H. Warnke.

Es wurde hierauf

Beschlossen, daß die öffentliche Einführung der Candidaten und Prediger erst dann stattfinden soll, wenn über die Aufnahme aller abgestimmt ist.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Dr. Sadtler.

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Dritte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 19. Juni, Vorm. 11 Uhr.

Ueber die im Bericht der Examinations-Committee drei letztgenannten ordinirten Prediger, Ehrw. J. Wilke, H. C. Schmieder und O. C. Konrad, wurde einzeln abgestimmt und deren Aufnahme beschlossen. Ebenso

Beschlossen, die sechzehn Predigtamtscandidaten am Dienstag Abend zu ordiniren.

Vertagt, um sich, wenn es der Präses anzeigt, wieder zu versammeln. Pastor Walz sprach das Gebet.

L. Lindenstruth,
deutscher Sekretär.

Easton, Pa., den 19. Juni 1886.

Gottesdienste während der Synode.

Donnerstag Vormittag, den 17. Juni: Eröffnungsgottesdienst und Abendmahlsfeier. Siehe S. 3.

Am Donnerstag Abend wurde in der Christuskirche ein Gottesdienst im Interesse der Erziehungssache gehalten, wobei Prof. H. E. Jakobs, D.D., eine Rede in englischer und Prof. W. Wackernagel, D.D., eine Rede in deutscher Sprache hielt, und Prof. F. A. Mühlenberg den Altargottesdienst versah.

Am Freitag Abend versammelten sich die Synodalen und Gemeindeglieder in der englischen St. Johannis-Kirche, Ehrw. D. H. Geissinger, Pastor, um die Ansprachen von Pastor J. A. Seiß, D.D., in englischer und Pastor F. W. Weiskotten in deutscher Sprache über das einheimische Missionswerk in diesem Lande anzuhören. Der Ehrw. S. A. Ziegenfuß leitete den Altardienst.

Am Trinitatissonntag predigten in den lutherischen Kirchen der Stadt verschiedene Glieder des Ministeriums. Auch wurden in den Sonntagschulen Ansprachen gehalten.

Montag Abend fand in der deutschen Zionskirche (Pastor Pfatteicher) ein Heidenmissionsgottesdienst statt. Pastor W. A. C. Müller leitete den liturgischen Theil. Dr. B. M. Schmucker gab einen Ueberblick über den Stand der Mission. Hierauf legte Pastor J. G. Pfuhl in deutscher Sprache der Versammlung das Missionswerk ans Herz. Dasselbe that Pastor E. Smith in einer englischen Ansprache.

Dienstag Abend fand die Ordination von 16 Candidaten des Predigtamts in der Christus-Kirche statt. Pastor J. Fry, D.D., hielt die Ordinations-Predigt über Colosser 4, 17, worauf der Ehrw. Präsident unter Assistenz der anderen Beamten die Amtsweihe vollzog. Die Namen der Ordinirten sind auf Seite 7 wie auch in den Ministerial-Verhandlungen zu finden.

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Tabelle No. 1.

Parochial-Berichte für das am Pfingstsonntag 1886 endigende Jahr.

Pastoren.	Jahr des Amtsantritts.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
		Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. H. S. Miller	1823																			
„ J. Jäger	1827																			
„ J. Röller	1829																			
„ H. J. Schmidt, D.D.	1829																			
„ C. F. Welden	1833																			
„ C. W. Schäffer, D.D.	1835																			
„ C. L. Erle	1840																			
„ W. G. Laitzle	1841																			
„ E. A. Bauer	1841	1	600	550	89			195		16					1	48	480			
„ J. A. Seiß, D.D. LL.D.	1842	1	294	220	6	3		5			2				1	22	212			
„ W. J. Mann, D.D.	1842																			
„ W. Weaver	1843																			
„ A. J. Weddell (1)	1843	1	356	351	13	7		8	5	3	8				1	37	347			
„ J. C. Schmidt	1844																			
„ W. S. Emery	1844																			
„ J. Kohler	1844	1	210	175	6	1		11		2					1	15				
„ B. Sadtler, D.D.	1844																			
„ J. G. Abele	1846	1	157	125	6	6		24		9					1	9	80			

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Ehrw.	W. Gerhard, D.D.	1847																		
„	B. M. Schmucker, D.D.	1847	1	370	300	11	8		15	1	5	4				1	40	250			
„	G. F. Krotel, D.D.	1848	1	682		35	12	4	36	1	4	1				1	37	273			
„	T. T. Jäger	1848	5	985	960	63	15	2	144		85	20							10	110	800
„	F. Walz	1848	3	1025	1000	22	10		70	2	24	10									
„	H. Weickfel	1848	7	882	750	35	132		81	1	18								7	59	591
„	G. D. Bernheim, D.D.	1849	1	207	145	14	5	1	22	2	4	7	3			1	30	250			
„	C. Kühn	1849	1	600	541	31	4	3	77		13	1	16			1	29	350			
„	D. M. Henkel, D.D.	1849																			
„	J. K. Plitt	1850																			
„	G. A. Hinterleitner	1851	2	535	421	22	23		75	1	11	8				1	34	310	1	5	40
„	C. Steck	1851																			
„	P. F. Zizelmann	1851	1	450	460	39	20		109		9	1				1	30	350			
„	W. Rath	1852	5	1200	1030	78			46		40					1					
„	J. Fry, D.D.	1853	1	1150	870	64	26	4	64	1	15	18	1			2	100	1050			
„	G. F. Gardner	1853	1	237	230	23	3		62	1	2	12				1	30	250			
„	B. W. Schmauk (2)	1853	2	1125	674	51	30	3	88	7	20	8				4	125	981			
„	J. W. Haßler	1854	1	245	183	1		2	13	4	5		1			1	22	148			
„	F. A. Mühlenberg, D.D.	1854																			
„	R. Hill	1854																			
„	F. Berkemeyer	1855	2	400	345		4		10		11	3							2		
„	D. Martens (3)	1855	1	175	150	10	4		20	1	7	4				1	16	100			
„	H. Grahn	1856	1		600	44	12		213		9			2	103	2	49	400			
„	J. F. Wampole	1856	6	1000	800	49	6	2	52	4	15	7							10	150	1000
„	F. J. F. Schantz	1857	2	525	417	26			45		12	12				2	32	160			
„	J. F. Bayer	1858	5	500	430	30			30		10	6				1		50			
„	B. E. Kramlich	1858	6	1325	1190	170			53							1	10	125	6	50	609
„	D. Kuntz	1858	3	950	830	17	5	2	44		17	30							4	30	500
„	B. H. Hunt	1858																			
„	F. T. Hennicke (3)	1858	1																		
„	J. A. Darmstätter	1859	2	290	283	21	4		27		6	6				2	17	150			
„	A. Finfrock	1859	4	1223	825	81	2		82		17	3							4	45	550
„	A. R. Horne, D.D.	1859	4	760	590	40			55	1	24	6							9	85	400
„	D. Leopold	1859	5	680	625	46			40		20	6				1	20	100	5	50	500
„	D. Sanner	1859	4	565	485	36	8		70		23	3				1	24	175	3	28	190

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		Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. B. D. Zweizig	1859	8	1900	1750	104			247	1	42										
„ H. H. Bruning	1860	1	210	165	10	2		30	1	2	15				1	19	167			
„ J. W. Early	1860	3	354	249	13		3	24		9					1	17	85	2	20	140
„ J. J. Kündig	1860	1	1200	1000	70			120		28			3	150	2	76	800			
„ *Ph. Pfatteicher	1860	1																		
„ Enoch Smith	1860	1	600	500	14	14		25	1	15					1	34	400			
„ G. A. Struntz	1860	3	390	305	24			44	1	3	17				2	22	180			
„ A. Martin	1860																			
„ J. H. Fritz	1860																			
„ J. R. Groff	1861	3	180	150	22			10		3					2	18	160	1	7	60
„ G. A. Brügel	1861	4	750	600	14			21		16					2	22	130	12	100	800
„ T. Heilig	1861	2	220	153	1			18		5	6				2	15	130	1	7	50
„ S. Laird, D.D.	1861	1	600		18	15	9	13	5	13	20				1	62	414			
„ J. H. Schmidt	1861	4		185	18			54	2	40					2	12	140			
„ A. Späth, D.D.	1861	1	600	550	40			72		30			2	84	1	56	605			
„ A. M. Strauß	1861	6	759	690	91			79		22	28	2			2	32	310			
„ J. M. Anspach	1862	1	340	270	27	3	4	19	3	2	19				1	33	329			
„ B. F. Apple	1862	1	175	157	9	16	3	29	2	2					1	29	193			
„ W. B. Fox	1862	4	1100	925	33			85	2		18	2			1	29	150			
„ J. G. Pfuhl	1862	1	425	380	22	8		43		11	12				1	25	300			
„ H. Gieß	1863	4	610	575	27			62	3	10					1	18	100	4	42	320
„ L. Groh (4)	1863	3	1550	1200	50	10		96	1	32	15				2	50	495	7	80	500
„ G. F. W. Günsch	1863	1	300	300	17			34	1	3					1	25	150			
„ M. C. Horine	1863	1	570	401	50	15	2	49	4	11					1	45	520			

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Ehrw.	J. S. Renninger	1863	5	1535	1405	84			128		31								16	225	1710
,,	M. Schimpf	1863	1	115	81	3			21	1	3				1	12	80				
,,	S. A. K. Francis	1864	1	400	275	23	6	2	105	4	5	5			1	23	400				
,,	M. H. Richards	1864																			
,,	W. Rieb	1864	1	600	540	53	3	14	154		25	2		1	100	1	25	350			
,,	M. B. Lenker	1865	3	357		9	2	5	70		10					2	20	125			
,,	J. C. Dizinger	1865	1	400	350	23	6		65	1	11			2	50	1	3	300			
,,	W. O. Cornmann	1866																			
,,	G. W. Frederick	1866																			
,,	J. Gruhler	1866	1	238	162	7	6		46		5	6				1	23	120			
,,	H. E. Jakobs, D.D	1866																			
,,	J. R. Schoffner	1866	1	149	107	10	1	1	17		1	3				1	33	257			
,,	J. J. Creßman	1867	2	643	587		13		37		13	10							3	50	450
,,	J. Hillpot	1867	5	746	573	36	8		51	1	6					2			3		
,,	D. K. Humbert	1867	6	1790	1640	126			172	7	35	40							6	75	1050
,,	J. D. Schindel	1867	3	1000	850	89	10	9	113	1	23	55	35			2	53	700	2	30	400
,,	T. L Seip, D.D	1867																			
,,	J. Zentner	1867	1	280	260	12	6		45		15			1	40	1	18	130			
,,	G. F. Spieker	1867	1	740		48			44	3	12					1	40	608			
,,	J. H. Gable	1868	6	1300	1100	66			135	3	18					2	35	300	6	45	500
,,	R. Gerlach	1868	1	700	600	34	2		101		15		11	2	52	2	30	265			
,,	J. M. Hantz	1868																			
,,	S. S. Henry	1868	3	225	163	17			29		6								3	40	150
,,	F. P. Mayser	1868	1	1060	620	87	26		58	2	13	40		2	42	1	56	350			
,,	E. L. Reed	1868	1	225	158	12	2		39	1	4					1	24	320			
,,	D. D. Trexler	1868	4	500	450	26			46		10								5	50	350
,,	F. W. Weiskotten	1868	1		1000	109	38	2	189	1	8	3		3	114	1	100	1100			
,,	B. Pick, Ph.D. (3)	1868	1																		
,,	H. S. Fegley	1869	5	800	608	39			42		14								7	58	350
,,	F. K. Huntzinger	1869	3	950	850	81	25	8	197	2	27					1	33	600			
,,	P. Ifenschmidt, M.D	1869	1	200	199	11			42		2	1				1	24	200			
,,	A. Linß	1869	1	145	125	14			65		7	3				1	12	125			
,,	D. E. Reed	1869	1	170	135				8		4	2				1	19	140			
,,	J. H. Meyer	1869	1	120	225	16	3		38		4	1				1	34	200			
,,	W. A. Schäffer	1869	1	163	133	15	17	3	16	5	2	3				1	17	167			
,,	H. C. Schmidt (Missionar)	1869																			

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Ehrw. J. Heck	1869																			
„ S. A. Repaß, D.D.	1869	1	475	350	26	23	2	19	2	5	10				1	35	340			
„ L. H. Geschwind	1869	1	116	70	15	14		4	1		9				1	21	180			
„ C. J. Cooper	1870	2	650	361	44	40		61	1	11					3	60	400	1	10	100
„ D. K. Kepner	1870	1	1080	1123	58	63		134	4	21	5				1	55	826	3	30	200
„ W. H. Strauß	1870	4	1500	800	30			46		24								8		
„ J. W. Bieber	1871	2	1050	875	37	8	1	55		21								6	60	625
„ F. F. Bürmeyer	1871	1																		
„ G. D. Foust	1871	1	160	120	8	1		7		5	4				1	14	140			
„ J. K. Poulsen (Missionar)	1871																			
„ W. H. Rickert (5)	1871	1	160	110		5		33	1		5				1	14	180			
„ F. Wischan	1871	1	450	700	64	20	5	131	5	30	15		4	250	1	140	750			
„ H. R. Fegley	1872	2	294	266	6	7	1	6	2	6	8	1			2	34	320			
„ D. H. Geissinger	1872	1	657	500	38	5	5	18	2	9	37				1	56	498			
„ J. Neff	1872	2	275	238	10	2		17	7	4	1				2	48	227			
„ J. R. S. Erb	1873	6	600	550	39	12	5	49		14					1	28	250			
„ M. J. Kramlich (6)	1873	2	180	140				5										2	20	180
„ W. H. Kuntz	1873	3	640	514	41			85		12	4							6	60	600
„ J. J. Kuntz	1873	5	705	547	37	1		69	1	20								4	10	250
„ J. W. Rumple	1873																			
„ W. C. L. Lauer	1873	2	184	165	36			42	2		5				2	9	156			
„ E. E. Sibole	1873	1	398	250	7	1		15	2	8					1	46	314			
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß	1873	2	505	477	1	19	11	23	1	8					1	37	201			
„ C. S. Kohler	1874	1	37	37				2							1	16	130			

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Ehrw.	A. J. Long (7)	1874	5	1050	975	45	8		73		23								6	60	850
„	J. H. Neiman	1874	3	628	400	20	8	1	33	3	1					3	33	250			
„	J. F. Ohl	1874	3	827	661	19	11	2	43	1	13	8				1	23	182	1	18	80
„	O. P. Smith	1874	3	1000	800	65	8	2	40	27	19	3				2	45	400	1	20	175
„	B. S. Small	1874	3	650	590				46		15								8		800
„	D. M. Stetler	1874	6	578	525	33			49	1	6					1	10	70	3	45	400
„	H. B. Strodach (3)	1874	1	650	667	44	50		63					3	150	2	75	900			
„	F. P. Bender	1875	1	900	830	99	12		270	4	11	3		1	45	1	66	875			
„	E. S. Brownmiller	1875	4	675	580	17	17	2	25	5	4					2	20	275			
„	D. L. Coleman	1875	1	135	128	3	2	3	7			9				1	19	120			
„	C. E. Houpt	1875	1	367	235	26	8		105	7	10	1		2	26	1	42	360			
„	J. E. Nidecker	1875	1	700	700	71			177	6	17	2		3	86	1	76	864			
„	J. A. Scheffer	1875														1	7	55	1	8	80
„	B. H. Warnke	1875	1																		
„	J. G. Erb	1876	4	640	580	25	80	2	40		6	2				3	43	390	2	12	160
„	C. J. Hirzel	1876	1	112	72	5	2		12	2	1					1	14	107			
„	W. H. Myers	1876	1	467	345	33	20	13	28	2	4	8				1	36	425			
„	A. P. Pflüger	1876	2	774	511	20	2	2	38	4	5	10				2	25	200			
„	W. Wackernagel, D D	1876	2	250	200	16	12		4	4											
„	J. A. Baumann	1876																			
„	W. J. Andres	1877	4	650	550	79			67	1	12					1	1	120	5	50	500
„	J. L. Becker	1877	3	1100	930	67	21		57	8	17	20	2								
„	A. E. Erdmann	1877	4	500	400	19	15		45		12	2				1	15	120	4	30	400
„	L. Lindenstruth	1877	2	475	420	16	8		44		7	8				4	77	350			
„	M. O. Rath	1877	1	160	130		3		18		1	4				1	40	240			
„	L. Smith	1877	1	130	119	10			33	1	3					1	12	80			
„	J. D. Upp	1877	1	300	220	21	6	1	37		7	5				1	28	280			
„	J. P. German	1878	7	550	500	34			41		10	15				2	20	125	3	27	330
„	J. W. Mattern	1878	1	62	51		4		5		3					1	10	35			
„	G. P. Müller	1878	1	138	118	7	4	1	18	1	4	6				1	19	128			
„	E. H. Pohle	1878	1	162	153	20	3	9	44	1	2	2				1	18	183			
„	A. Joseph (Missionar)	1878																			
„	W. A. C. Müller	1878	2	540	400	4	12	2	27		12	15				2	49	250			
„	A. Paulus (Missionar)	1878																			
„	A. B. Markley (8)	1879	1	260	244	20	3		12		2					1	45	160			
„	S. E. Ochsenford	1879	2	650	387	24	10	7	43	4	6	1				1	21	202	1	16	140

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Ehrw. A. M. Zimmerman	1879	1	225	215	23	40	5	8	5	4	10				1	25	235			
„ E. R. Cassaday	1880	1	200	188	31	9	3	42	5	3	5				1	20	300			
„ E. K. Drumheller	1880	1	190	120											1	25	175			
„ J. F. C. Fluck	1880	1	224	224	16	22		42	1	1					1	23	300			
„ J. W. Gauker	1880	5	385	345	22	7		14	4	14					1	30	125	4	53	320
„ Wm. H. Geiger	1880	4	500	397	32	1		49		9	2									
„ E. H. Gerhart	1880	1	310	260	16	20	9	24	4	4	21	1			1	24	225			
„ W. J. Bieber	1881	3	600	350	13	3		40		16	5				1	12	75	2	30	200
„ J. P. Deck	1881	1	314	275	20	7	3	15	5	15	6				1	33	165			
„ E. L. Fry	1881	1	900	725	37	2		47	9	33	10				1	57	510			
„ U. P. Heilmann	1881	3	760	670	24		1	47	4	14	3							7	80	700
„ D. H. Reiter (9)	1881	3	700	600	65	18		73		13	4							3		400
„ H. E. Semmel	1881	3	350	300				11	2	9	2									
„ J. L. Sibole	1881	1	530	500	51	40	18	51	10	1	12				1	56	769			
„ E. M. Smith	1881																			
„ M. L. Zweizig	1881	1	100	90	12	12	1	14	1	1	15				1	12	75			
„ J. H. Ruder	1882	1	390	332	24	22	6	26	1	4	7				1	35	300			
„ W. M. Rehrig	1882	1	233	158	10	23	11	30		7	12				1	22	168			
„ Geo. S. Seaman	1882	1	225	151	11			15	1	4	8				1	24	165			
„ Wm. A. Baetes	1882																			
„ F. K. Berndt	1883	2	681	512	43			48		13	4				1	8	120	3		250
„ E. K. Binder	1883	1	101	70	3	6	3	14	2	2					1	20	130			
„ Carl Horak	1883	6	180	180				24		1										
„ J. W. Klingler	1883	4	640	600	2	1		22		14	2				1	15	90	2	22	160

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Ehrw. S. B. Stupp	1883	3	400	360	59	1		73	10	2					1	10	75	3	25	300
„ J. H. Umbenhen	1883	4	827	684	38			39	10	19					3			1		
„ G. W. Sandt	1883																			
„ T. E. Schmauk (2	1883																			
„ T. R. Ander	1884	3	160	74	8	30		9		2	3				3	16	140			
„ J. W. Mayne	1884	2	575	538	55	2	4	25		15	3							2	24	284
„ O. D. Miller	1884	4	712	629	48	6	5	67		17	3				2	43	385	2	28	260
„ S. Wenrich	1884	3	332	197	25		1	21	1	8	2				1	8	55			
„ P. P. Wisser	1884	1	86	65	1	3		8		1	2				1	13	75			
„ F. J. C. McCready, Miss	1884																			
„ J. H. Uhrich	1884																			
„ O. D. Bartholomew	1885	5	750	585	120	7		103	1	22	10				2	15	265	6	25	300
„ L. J. Bickel (10)	1885							12							3	32	398			
„ J. Darmstätter	1885	1	300	140	28	10		14	1	6	4				1	17	145			
„ A. R. J. Gräpp	1885	2	115	115	16	21		18	1	1	4				2	24	135			
„ E. J. Klingensmith	1885	1	120	96							1				1	12	65			
„ W. G Hudson, Missionar	1885																			
„ E. L. Miller	1885	1	160	144	2	2		7		2	1				2	13	125			
„ R. D. Röder	1885	1	107	100	5	99	4	15	3		1				1	18	153			
„ A. F. Walz	1885	1	120	105	18	7		10	1		3							1		105
„ C. E. Sandt	1885	2	400	265	25	40	8	37		7	3				1	16	119	1	15	240
„ E. H. Smoll	1885	3	290	234	11	16	2	14	2	5	1				2	16	97	1	12	125
„ A. C. Wuchter	1885	1	215	85	22	2	2	2		2					1	14	80			
„ J W Lazarus (11)	1885																			
Roxboro (Manayunk)		1	534	218	19	30		53		8	27	18			1	35	220			
St. Lukas, Easton (A. W. Walter) (12)		1	135		15	12	1	17							1	30	270			
St. Thomas, Germantown (D. Konrad)		1	118	125	3			18		6					1	16	95			
Grace, Sand Cut, u. St. Johns, Clifton)		2	42	24							2				1	10	40	1	7	20
Gnaden-Kirche, Bethlehem		1	250	136		2				3	5				1	32	195			
St. Johannes, Tamaqua		1																		
Tioga u. Potter Co. Mission		1																		

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Tabelle No. 2.

Beiträge der Gemeinden im Synodal-Jahr 1885—1886.

„Auflage" für 1886 und 1887 ist die von der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit aufgestellte Summe für das letzte und das neue Synodaljahr.

„Gemeinde-Auslagen" — „für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt" bezeichnen alle regelmäßigen Ausgaben für den Gehalt des Pastors, Organisten, Lehrer, Chor, Kirchendiener u. dergl. — „für besondere Zwecke", schließt Gelder in sich, die für Bau und Reparaturen von Kirchen und Pfarrhäusern und dergleichen und zur Abtragung von Kirchenschulden verausgabt wurden.

Unter **„Synodal-Zwecken"** schließt „Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit" alle Beiträge für Erziehung, Einheimische Mission unsrer Synode, Wittwen- und Waisen-Fond u. s. w.; — „Theologisches Seminar" alle Beiträge für den Baufond, für laufende Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Mühlenberg-Collegium" alle Beiträge für den Gehalt der Professoren; für allgemeine Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Waisenhaus" alle Beiträge in Geld oder an Werth der übersandten Gaben an das Waisenhaus in Germantown in sich.

Unter Beiträgen **„für das General-Concil"** begreift „Heiden-Mission" alle Gelder in sich, die für diesen Zweck; „Einheimische Mission" — englisch und deutsch — alle Gaben und Unterstützungen, welche den beiden Missions-Committeen des General-Concils oder bedürftigen Gemeinden innerhalb desselben und außerhalb unserer eigenen Synode überreicht wurden.

Unter **„sonstigen Zwecken"** sind Beiträge für Wohlthätigkeits-Anstalten von einem allgemeinen Charakter, oder die außerhalb unserer Kirche gelegen sind, bezeichnet.

Pastoren.	Auflage für 86—87.	Auflage für 85—86.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 85—86.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das theologische Seminar.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das Waisenhaus.	Für das General-Concil. Für die Heidenmission.	Für das General-Concil. Englische Einheim. Mission.	Für das General-Concil. Deutsche Einheim. Mission.	Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Ehrw. E. A. Bauer	$120	$120	$100 00	1142 44	100 00	100 00		15 00	7 65			20 00	100 00	$1484 09
„ J. A. Seiß, D.D.L.L.D.			200 00	9000 0		20 00	150 00		175 00		350 00			9875 00
„ A. J. Weddell	250	250	250 00	2257 00	827 00	237 00			987 71					4308 71
„ J. Kohler	50	50	50 00			50 00								50 00
„ J. G. Abele	15	15	15 00	750 00	63 00							5 00		828 00
„ B. M. Schmucker, D D (1)	200	200	235 00	2000 00	350 00	185 00			175 00	50 00	175 00			2935 00

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Ehrw.	T. T. Jaeger	100	110	100	00	1000	00	1000	00	50	00				20	00	50	00	20	00	20	00	25	00	2185	00
,,	G. F. Krotel, D.D.	500	500	500	00	7000	00	1300	00	500	00								600	00			346	00	9746	00
,,	F. Walz	200	200	140	00	1200	00	800	00	65	00	204	00	5	00	27	00	50	00		15	00			2366	00
,,	H. Weickfel	65	65	65	00	700	00	34	00	40	00	20	00	8	00			12	50	12	50	5	00			832	00
,,	G. D. Bernheim, D.D.	25	25	12	50	1100	00	250	00	12	50									4	00			5	00	1371	50
,,	Conrad Kühn	75	75	81	00	1363	43	1098	57	81	00			16	00											2559	00
,,	G. A. Hinterleitner	100	100	100	00	1650	00	6	30	100	00			25	00	10	00	30	00		37	00			2532	00
,,	P. F. Zizelmann	75	75	30	00	1100	00			30	00										50	00	50	00	1230	00
,,	W. Rath (2)	300	300	178	53					117	00	125	00	25	00										328	00
,,	J. Fry, D.D.	800	800	810	00	4250	00	7000	00	710	00					100	00	100	00	150	00				12310	00
,,	G. F. Gardner	20	20	20	00	750	00			20	00	21	73	30	00	5	00								826	73
,,	B. W. Schmauk (3)	400	400	475	00	3785	23	2828	00	231	75			50	00	146	00	243	25	208	00	20	00	38	50	7550	73
,,	J. W. Haßler	125	125	111	30	850	00	100	00	90	30			10	00	37	95			10	00					1099	25
,,	F. Berkemeyer	125	125	121	60	585	00	150	00	111	60	362	75	843	00	115	00			10	00			15	13	1357	91
,,	D. M. Martens					1300	00			10	00									15	00					1325	00
,,	H. Grahn	125	125	127	94	3724	00	1803	48	127	94	12	00	5	00	242	26	40	00		102	63			6058	29
,,	J. F. Wampole	85	85	85	00	1050	00	100	00	85	00			16	00	5	00								1256	00
,,	F. J. F. Schantz (4)	125	125	146	66	1000	00	16	25	146	66			30	00	6	50			10	60	8	00		2826	16
,,	J. F. Bayer	60	60	55	00	600	00	2000	00	50	00														2650	00
,,	B. E. Kramlich	225	225	225	00	1800	00	935	00	225	00														2960	00
,,	D. Kuntz	175	175	135	00	1450	00	325	00	135	00			20	00										1930	00
,,	J. A. Darmstätter	70	70	51	00	950	00	350	00	10	00					8	00	41	00		54	75			1455	75
,,	A. Finfrock (5)	200	200	163	63			850	00	163	63														1013	63
,,	M. R. Horne, D.D.	250	200	200	00					200	00														200	00
,,	D. Leopold	200	200	200	00	1400	00	800	00	200	00			34	65										2434	05
,,	D. Sanner	50	50	55	00	900	00	300	00	25	00			5	00	20	00	10	00		15	00			1275	00
,,	H. D. Zweizig	200	200	100	00	2500	00	5000	00	100	00														7600	00
,,	H. H. Bruning	40	40	40	00	600	00	500	00	40	00	7	00												1147	00
,,	J. W. Early	40	40	40	13	500	00	1300	00	40	13	17	60	21	00	7	25			5	93	5	92	1	00	1896	83
,,	J. J. Kündig	120	120	100	00	4519	36									200	87				633	50	25	00	5378	73
,,	*P. Pfatteicher	165	175	150	00																					
,,	Enoch Smith	150	150	150	00	1800	00	11000	00	163	62			37	00					50	00				13050	62
,,	G. A. Strunk	30	30	30	00	825	00	13	00	30	00			5	00	4	00								2164	00
,,	G. A Brügel	125	125	100	00	1400	00	300	00	100	00			14	35	5	00	37	44	26	18	10	00		1882	97
,,	J. M. Groff	25	35	23	00	600	00			22	66														622	66
,,	*P. Heilig	25	25	25	00																					

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Chw. S. Laird, D.D.	1000	1000	1000 00	5220 44	4445 74	1000⁰⁰	1000⁰⁰	.....	$200 00	293 44	712 36	.....	109 24	12991 22
„ J. H. Schmidt	15	15	6 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 80	.....	.....	680 00
„ *A. Späth, D.D.	300	300	194 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ A. M. Strauß	100	100	106 00	1050 00	500 00	160 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1666 00
„ J. M. Anspach	150	150	150 00	2500 00	575 00	50 00	100 00	15 00	20 00	.....	15 00	.....	20 00	3295 00
„ B. F. Apple	30	30	28 14	650 00	860 00	28 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1538 14
„ B. M. Fox	200	200	200 00	1300 00	.....	200 00	300 00	5 00	28 88	3 70	20 00	.....	.....	1849 58
„ J. G. Pfuhl	50	50	50 00	1500 00	800 00	40 00	30 00	15 00	14 62	10 00	.....	88 00	500 00	2997 62
„ H. Gieß	150	200	122 50	.....	1623 00	122 50	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1757 50
„ L. Groh	200	325	380 00	2000 00	1500 00	380 00	.....	10 00	120 00	.....	700 00	.....	.....	4610 00
„ G. F. W. Günsch	50	50	68 00	.....	.....	48 00	25 00	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	93 00
„ M. C. Horine	200	200	50 00	2138 00	2000 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	26 55	13 80	.....	.....	4228 35
„ J. S. Renninger	325	325	325 00	1200 00	1000 00	325 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	2620 00
„ M. Schimpf	25	25	25 00	802 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	32 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	849 00
„ G. A. K. Francis	125	125	100 00	1800 00	800 00	115 00	.....	.....	75 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	2805 00
„ W. Rieb	100	100	291 75	2500 00	.....	201 75	.....	25 00	25 00	.....	.....	80 00	.....	3832 05
„ J. C. Dizinger	50	50	50 00	1600 00	200 00	50 00	.....	15 00	61 00	.....	.....	23 14	.....	1949 14
„ M. B. Lenker	15	15	12 00	580 00	320 00	12 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	915 00
„ J. Gruhler	25	25	25 00	508 78	53 00	25 00	.....	4 00	5 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	605 78
„ J. A. Shoffner	20	20	25 00	694 18	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	729 18
„ J. J. Creßman	125	125	125 00	.....	.....	85 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	20 00	.....	125 00
„ J. Hillpot	100	100	75 00	1000 00	.....	75 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1085 00
„ D. K. Humbert	300	300	250 00	2500 00	.....	250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2750 00
„ J. D. Schindel	160	160	150 00	1800 00	.....	150 00	.....	20 00	5 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	1995 00

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Ehrw.	G. F. Spieker	100	100	100 00	2192 68	1192 68	99 53		15 00	79 00	21 26					3600 15
"	J. Zentner	20	20	15 00	1100 00	600 00	15 00									1715 00
"	J. H. Gable	150	150	120 60	1425 00	1000 00	120 60					45 00				2590 60
"	R. Gerlach	50	50	50 00	2000 00		50 00			6 00			6 00			2062 00
"	G. S. Henry	25	25	23 11	265 00	150 00	23 11									438 11
"	F. P. Mayser	150	150	150 00	2800 00	1650 00	75 00	35 00	20 00	85 00	55 00		90 00	45 00		4855 00
"	E. L. Reed	40	40	50 00	1000 00		25 00		5 00		10 00	10 00				1050 00
"	D. D. Trexler	65	65	65 00			60 00	5 00								65 00
"	F. W. Weiskotten	300	300	140 00	4493 32	1038 86	139 00	100 00		592 22	67 50	15 00	153 23			6399 13
"	H. S. Fegley	125	125	128 00	1200 00		125 00		5 00		3 00	5 07		150 00		1488 07
"	F. K. Huntzinger	100	100	50 00	1800 00	9000 00	50 00							25 00		10875 00
"	P. Isenschmid, M.D.	75	75	70 00	1000 00		25 00	124 00	10 00	40 00	45 00		6 00	17 00		1267 00
"	Aug. Linß	20	5	20 00	1178 00	422 00	10 00			160 00	10 00		7 38			1787 38
"	D. E. Reed	20	20		600 00		18 00									618 00
"	J. H. Meyer					255 00	15 00			3 25	10 32					283 57
"	W. A. Schäffer	25	25	41 00	2034 00		41 00	500 00		100 00	80 71	34 50				2800 27
"	S. A. Repaß, D.D.	350	350	307 50	2726 70		300 00	1035[00]	58 35	66 00	60 00	39 44		534 58		4820 07
"	L. H. Geschwind	25		16 12	400 00	402 55	16 12			10 00						827 67
"	C. J. Cooper		140	140 00	1500 00	500 00	86 84		37 88	6 13	22 70	27 53	10 00	2 67		2193 75
"	D. K. Kepner	225	225	225 00	3285 93	112 00	200 00	54 10			25 00					3677 03
"	W. H. Strauß	125	125	122 30	900 00	684 00	102 30		5 00	10 00	20 00					1721 30
"	J. W. Bieber	200	200	240 00	1100 00		240 00		10 00							1350 00
"	G. D. Foust	25	25	25 00	1130 64	884 66	25 00									2040 30
"	W. H. Rickert (6)	20	20		950 00	200 00		20 00				40 00		15 00		1250 00
"	F. Wischan	500	500	493 00	5600 00		75 00	36 00		500 00	60 00		325 00	1200[00]		7796 00
"	H. R. Fegley	150	150	153 39	1245 00	300 00	153 39		20 00	46 65	42 64	6 60				1814 28
"	D. H. Geissinger	400	400	300 00	3169 20	1170 00	300 00	450 00		46 22	60 00					5195 42
"	J. Neff	50	50	40 00	1636 20	284 10	40 00	25 00	5 00	22 27	4 41	15 50				2032 48
"	J. R. S. Erb	130	130	105 00	1400 00	1500 00	155 00		20 00			30 00	10 00			3115 00
"	M. J. Kramlich															
"	J. J. Kuntz (7)	115	115	132 20	900 00	2000 00	115 00	37 73	6 65		17 20					3076 58
"	W. H. Kuntz	80	80	80 00	900 00	1300 00	80 00	5 00	5 00							2290 00
"	W. C. L. Lauer	25	25	15 00	680 00		18 00									698 00
"	E. E. Sibole	500	500	500 00	3964 70	221 00	250 00	50 00		320 00	250 00	870 81		856 00		6722 51
"	S. A. Ziegenfuß (8)	150	150	162 85	1500 00	450 00	100 85	140 00	35 05		62 00	25 00				2312 90
"	*C. S. Kohler															

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Pastoren.	Auflage für 86—87.	Auflage für 85—86.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 85—86.	Gemeinde-Auslagen.		Beiträge für Synodalzwecke.				Für das General-Concil.			Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
				Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Für besondere Zwecke.	Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Für das theologische Seminar.	Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Für das Waisenhaus.	Für die Heidenmission.	Englische Einheim. Mission.	Deutsche Einheim. Mission.		
Ehrw. A. J. Long	$225	$225	$110 00	9460 00		110 77								$9570 77
„ J. H. Neiman	85	85	83 94	750 00	$300 00	88 94		15 00	$33 89		$20 00			1207 83
„ J. F. Ohl	100	100	103 96	1150 00	600 00	21 84	$5 00	10 00		$82 12	20 05			1889 01
„ D. P. Smith	175	175	175 00	2000 00	300 00	175 00	743 00	47 50	47 00	30 00	15 00			3357 50
„ B. S. Small	60	80	80 00			80 00	100 00	3 00		1 00		$1 00		185 00
„ D. M. Stetler	30	30	30 00	790 00	40 00	30 00		10 00	5 00				$2 00	877 00
„ H. B. Strohbach			42 50	4295 95	55000°°	40 50		20 00		15 00		32 00	390 39	59795 85
„ F. P. Bender	75	75	75 00	3027 91	150 00	75 00			49 42		79 50			3361 83
„ E. S. Brownmiller	60	60	60 00	1150 00	225 00	60 00		10 00						1445 00
„ D. L. Coleman	25	25	20 00	600 00	243 00	20 00								863 00
„ C. E. Houpt	75	75		1200 00	2600 00				35 00					3835 00
„ J. E. Ridecker	700	700	740 34	9708 00	791 57	228 57	187 00	100°°	1450 00	500 00		200 00	420 00	13585 27
„ J. S. Erb	125	125	125 00	1200 00	300 00	125 00		5 00			10 00			1610 00
„ C. J. Hirzel	25	25	25 00	830 00	500 00	25 00				10 39	10 39			1375 78
„ W. H. Myers	30	30	25 00	1600 00	800 00	25 00					25 00			2450 00
„ A. B. Pflueger	100	100	103 02	1000 00		48 00		20 00	15 47	52 00				1135 47
„ W. Wackernagel, D.D.	50	50	48 50	400 00		38 50				10 00		3 63		452 13
„ W. J. Andres	125	125	125 00	1100 00	75 00	125 00	10 00	35 00	4 00	12 00	12 00			1383 00
„ J. L. Becker	125	125	128 00	1200 00		128 00		20 00	18 50		15 93			1882 43
„ A. E. Erdman	75	75	33 00	1100 00	450 00			6 00		33 00				1589 00
„ L. Lindenstruth	60	50	55 00	1077 73	517 06	55 00		20 00	11 57				13 89	1695 25
„ M. D. Rath (9)	50	50	46 00	315 00	38 00	66 00			13 68	80 08	40 00	40 07	6 00	598 83
„ L. Smith	25	25	23 75	397 25	330 00	23 75								750 00
„ J. D. Upp	50	75	32 15	960 69	2113 22	32 15	50 00	20 00	15 00					3191 06

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Ehrw.	J. P. German	$70	$70	$60 00	1000 00	$500 00	$80 00		$5 00								$1565 00
,,	J. W. Mattern	25	25	25 00	850 00		25 00										875 00
,,	G. P. Müller	25	25	22 00	775 00	40 00					5 00	$15 00			5 41	5 00	852 77
,,	W. A. C. Müller	75	75	29 25	993 00	550 00	29 25	165 00	14 00		7 00	6 00	$10 00	10 00			1784 25
,,	E. H. Pohle	25	25	25 00	819 75	1020 79	25 00		5 00		75 00			24 00	15 00		1964 54
,,	A. B. Markley	50	50	30 69	1010 00		30 69				17 50	25 00	4 50				1090 85
,,	S. E. Ochsenford	50	50	50 00	620 00	2000 00	50 00		6 00		4 25	13 56	5 00				2698 81
,,	R. M. Zimmermann	25	25	25 00	1752 19	230 85	25 00				10 00	20 00					2038 04
,,	E. R. Caffaday	15	15		750 00	400 00	11 95				10 00	35 00	12 00				1218 95
,,	E. K. Drumheller	30	30	10 00	823 61	1031 61			5 00						10 00		1869 74
,,	J. F. C. Fluck	25	25	25 00	1245 14	130 46	25 00				9 50				10 00		1410 10
,,	J. W. Gauker	40	40	39 17	625 00	839 00						39 17					1494 17
,,	W. H. Geiger	55	55	55 00	650 00	2596 00	55 00		18 00								3319 00
,,	E. H. Gerhart	20	10	17 00	800 00	207 09						17 00	4 34				1028 34
,,	W. J. Bieber	150	150	150 00	825 00	135 00	150 00	5 00	6 00								1121 00
,,	J. P. Deck	200	200	200 00	2013 00	3100 00	200 00	230 00			100 00	100 00	69 00				5817 00
,,	C. L. Fry	600	600	600 00	3760 77		600 00	1640°°	125°°		212 62	380 00	326 00		150 00		7194 39
,,	U. P. Heilmann	120	120	125 00	1000 00	9100 00	125 00		5 00				5 00	5 00			10240 00
,,	D. H. Reiter (10)	100	100	100 00	1300 00		100 00		15 00		10 00						1425 00
,,	H. C. Semmel	30	20	28 50	775 00				10 00			28 00					813 50
,,	J. L. Sibole	150	150	180 23	2842 82	9000 00	135 00		500°°		140 00	45 23					12663 05
,,	M. L. Zweizig	15	15	23 50	809 76	1590 13	15 00	60 50	12 42		11 40	8 50					2507 71
,,	J. H. Ruder	75	75	66 67	1166 21	1100 48	21 69		26 00		20 00	45 00	39 21				2418 57
,,	W. M. Rehrig	25	25	10 00	1101 39	362 10		5 00					5 00	5 00			1478 49
,,	G. S. Seaman	75	75	75 00	650 00		75 00		5 00		5 36	6 04	43 64				899 34
,,	F. K. Berndt	125	125	70 00	955 00	350 00	40 00		5 00		2 60	30 00	25 00	30 00			1437 60
,,	C. K. Binder	20	20	20 00	755 00	1475 00	20 00										2250 00
,,	C. Horak	10	15	5 55			5 55										5 55
,,	*J. W. Klingler	130	130	130 00													
,,	T. E. Schnlauk (3)																
,,	S. B. Stupp	50	50	35 72	1000 00		30 22		3 00		2 50						1035 72
,,	J. S. Umbenhen	15					93 60		5 00		5 00						103 60
,,	T. R. Ander	10			600 00									25 00			625 00
,,	J. W. Mayne	60	60	61 46	700 00	925 00	61 46						40 00		5 00		1731 46
,,	D. D. Miller	50	50	50 79	620 00	600 00	50 79										1270 79
,,	S. Wenrich	10		5 00	850 00				3 00			5 00	15 00	2 00			875 00

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Beiträge der Gemeinden im Jahre 1885—86.

Pastoren.	Auflage für 86—87.	Auflage für 85—86.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 85—86.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Für das theologische Seminar	Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Für das Waisenhaus.	Für das General-Concil. Für die Heidenmission.	Englische Einheim. Mission.	Deutsche Einheim. Mission	Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Ehrw. P. P. Wiffer	.....	$ 10	.....	.....	$106 41	.....	$13 00	.....	$ 7 25	.....	$10 25	.....	$ 5 25	$ 143 16
„ O. D. Bartholomew	50	50	$ 50 00	$800 00	2215 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	4 17	57 00	$ 5 00	.....	3079 17
„ E. H. Small	40	40	35 00	750 00	118 35	20 00	.....	$5 00	.....	15 00	10 30	.....	.....	919 65
„ C. E. Sandt	75	.....	28 80	750 00	1200 00	21 30	.....	10 25	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	1989 05
„ A. C. Wuchter	15	.....	.....	549 58	55 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 15	1 15	.....	607 40
„ E. L. Miller	15	.....	11 75	480 72	.....	11 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	492 47
„ R. D. Röder	25	.....	14 00	749 79	.....	14 00	.....	.....	100 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	863 92
„ G. C. Gardner	40	.....	37 00	1069 96	500 90	37 00	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1632 86
„ W. J. Klingensmith	30	.....	30 00	700 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	5 00	745 00
„ A. R. J. Gräpp	30	.....	37 11	393 84	1225 34	23 87	.....	.....	20 25	13 24	.....	2 11	.....	1682 30
„ J. Darmstätter	30	25	28 00	800 00	350 00	38 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1178 00
„ A. F. Walz	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00
„ J. J. Klein	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Bethlehem, St. Peters	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Thomas, Germantown	20	.....	20 00	1048 79	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1068 79
Gnaden-Kirche, Bethlehem	100	100	100 00	1490 00	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1590 00
Reamstown Pfarrstelle	100	100	93 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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Anmerkungen zu den Tabellen.

Tabelle No. 1.

(1) 73 Glieder an die Gnaden-Missionsgemeinde übertragen.
(2) Die Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk berichten zusammen.
(3) Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
(4) Die angegebene Zahl von Gemeinden schließt die von ihm temporär bediente Hubers Gemeinde ein. Diese Gemeinde zählt 250 Glieder, von welchen ungefähr 200 zum Abendmahl gingen.
(5) Bericht für 9 Monate. Unterrichtete 13 Confirmanden.
(6) Zugleich Hilfspastor von Pastor B. E. Kramlich.
(7) Bedient auch die Gemeinde zu Schäfferstown, Berks County.
(8) Bericht für 6 Monate.
(9) Bedient auch die Christus-Gemeinde, welche 375 Glieder zählt, aber nicht zur Synode gehört.
(10) Bedient als Gehilfe von Dr. J. Fry die Glaubens-, Hoffnungs- und Friedens-Kapellen.
(11) Versieht Pastor G. A. Brügels Stelle.
(12) Die Gemeinde wurde am 18. Januar 1886 organisirt.

Tabelle No. 2.

(1) $50 für englische einheimische Mission von der Sonntagschule beigetragen, wurden direkt an den Schatzmeister des General-Concils gesandt.
(2) Führt keinen Bericht über Gemeindeauslagen.
(3) Die Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk berichten zusammen.
(4) Von $37.01 für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit von der Sonntagschule der Friedens-Gemeinde zu Myerstown beigetragen, wurden seit Januar 1886 $20.47 für die Erziehung eines Knaben in Indien gegeben.
(5) Beitrag von der Blauberg-Kirche $20.36; Host, $33.51; Eck, $31.91; Zions-Gemeinde in Womelsdorf, $82 85, nämlich von der Gemeinde $72.53 und von der Samariter-Sonntagschule $10.32.
(6) Bericht für 9 Monate.
(7) Beitrag für das Seminar schließt einen persönlichen Beitrag von $25 in sich.
(8) Die $25 für englische Mission sind persönlicher Beitrag.
(9) Beitrag für Heidenmission schließt in sich $30 für Erziehung eines Knaben in Indien.
(10) Laufende Ausgaben der Christus-Gemeinde $425.
(11) Die mit * bezeichneten Pastoren sandten keine Berichte.

Tabelle No. 3.

Bei solchen Pastoren, die zu entfernt von dem Synodolbezirk wohnen, oder die dieses Jahr ordinirt wurden, und noch keine bestimmte Pfarrstelle haben, konnte keine Conferenz-Verbindung angegeben werden. Ueber die Zahl der zu jeder Conferenz gehörenden Pastoren, siehe die Zusammenstellung, Seite 94.

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Tabelle No. 3.

Alphabetische Liste der Pastoren des Ministeriums, ihres Wohnorts und ihrer Gemeinden.

Die Ziffer vor den Namen bezeichnet die Conferenz, zu welcher die Pastoren gehören. (Siehe Anmerkungen S. 85.)

Pastoren.	Wohnort.	Gemeinden.
4 Abele, J. G.	419 Herr Straße, Harrisburg, Pa.	Zions.
1 Ander, T. N.	Hainesport, N. J.	Hainesport, Riverside, New Germany.
2 Andres, W. J.	Bath, Northampton County.	Moorestown, Little Moore Township, Steinkirche und Snyders.
2 Apple, B. F.	Bangor, Northampton County.	Trinitatis-Kirche.
2 Anspach, J. M.	Easton.	Christus-Kirche.
Baetes, W. A.	Lancaster, Ohio.	Lehrer.
3 Bartholomew, O. D.	Ringtown.	St. Johannis, Zions, St. Peters, Beaver und Gnaden-Kirche.
2 Baumann, J. A.	Allentown.	Professor im Mühlenberg-College.
2 Bauer, E. A.	Hazleton.	Christus-Kirche.
5 Bayer, J. F.	Mahanoy, Northumberland County.	Himmels, Emanuels, St. Paulus, Davids und St. Johannis.
1 Becker, J. L.	Sellersville, Bucks County.	St. Michaels, Christus, Ridge Valley.
1 Bender, F. P.	2304 Ost York Str., Philadelphia.	St. Michaels.
1 Berkemeyer, F.	Sellersvillle, Bucks County.	Hilltown, Bridgetown.
2 Berndt, F. K.	Stetlersville, Lehigh County.	Jordan, Lowhill.
2 Bernheim, G. D., D.D.	Philipsburg, N. J.	Gnadenkirche.
3 Bickel, L. J.	Reading.	Glaubens-, Hoffnungs- und Friedens-Kapellen.
2 Bieber, J. W.	Bethlehem.	Trinitatis (Hecktown), St. Johannis (Farmersville).
2 Bieber, W. J.	Hellertown.	Hellertown, Lower Saucon, Alt Williams.
1 Binder, C. K.	503 Linden Street, Camden, N. J.	Epiphanias.
4 Brownmiller, E. S.	Ephrata, Lancaster County.	Trinitatis, Salem, Schoeneck, Schwamm.
2 Brügel, G. A.	Cherryville, Northampton County.	St. Paulus, St. Johannis, Emannels, Ost Penn.
2 Bruning, H. H.	White Haven, Luzerne County.	St. Paulus.
1 Buermeyer, F. F.	113 Ost 78. Straße, New York.	Englische Epiphanias-Mission der Trinitatis-Gemeinde (Dr. Krotel).
1 Buttermann, C. P. E.	Germantown, Pa.	St. Thomas.
1 Cassaday, E. R.	842 Wharton Straße, Philadelphia.	St. Peters englische Mission, 8 und Reed Straße.
1 Coleman, D. L.	Centre Square, Montgomery County.	St. Johannis.
2 Cooper, C. J.	Allentown.	Finanz-Agent des Mühlenberg-College.

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?	Cornmann, W. D.	Easton.	
3	Creßmann, J. J.	Kutztown.	St. Johns (Kutztown) und St. Johns (Bernville).
4	Darmstätter, J. A.	Columbia	St. Paulus (Columbia), Concordia (Chestnut Hill).
5	Darmstätter, J.	Lock Haven.	Erste deutsche ev.-luth. Kirche.
1	Deck, J. P.	5467 Germantown Avenue, Phila.	St. Michaelis.
	Diedrich, F. S.	Rajahmundry, Ost Indien.	Telugu-Mission.
1	Dizinger, J. C.	424 Stevens Str., Camden, N. J.	Dreifaltigkeits.
5	Drumheller, C. K.	Danville.	Trinity.
5	Early, J. W.	Trevorton, Northumberland County.	Emanuels (Trevorton), Emanuels (Rockafeller Township), und Elias.
1	Emery, W. S.	Frenchtown, N. J.	[Englischer Sekretär der Synode.
3	Erb, J. N. S.	Orwigsburg, Schuylkill County.	St. Paulus, Zions, Zions (Lewistown), Christus, Friedens, St. Johannes.
2	Erb, J. S.	Slatington, Lehigh County.	St. Johannis (Slatington), St. Jakobs (Weißport), St. Matthäus [(Nord Weißport), St. Paulus (Groß Creek).
2	Erdmann, A. E.	Nazareth, Northampton County.	Plainfield, Union, Jehovah (Buschkill Centre) St. Johannes (Pen
5	Erle, C. L.	Colley, Sullivan County.	Ohne Pfarrstelle. [Argyl.
4	Fegley, H. N.	Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County.	St. Markus und St. Johannes.
2	Fegley, H. S.	Lynnville, Lehigh County.	Ebenezer (Neu Tripoli), Jakobus (Jacksonville), Jerusalem (Albany Twp., [Berks Co.), St. Peters (Lynnville), St. Paulus (Seiberlingsville.
3	Finfrock, A.	Womelsdorf, Berks County.	Womelsdorf, Eck, Host und Blauberg.
1	Fluck, J. F. C.	504 West Cumberland Str., Phila.	Advents-Kirche (Mission).
1	Foust, G. D.	North Wales, Montgomery County.	St. Peters.
1	Fox, W. B.	Sumneytown, Montgomery County.	St. Johannis, St. Markus, St. Lukas, Saffamans.
1	Francis, S. A. K.	1431 Süd 10. Str., Philadelphia.	Trinity.
1	Frederick, G. W.	117 Nord 6. Str., Philadelphia.	Lutherische Buchhandlung.
4	Fritz, J. H.	York.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
4	Fry, C. L.	Lancaster.	Trinitatis.
3	Fry, J., D.D.	Reading.	Trinitatis.
3	Gable, Z. H.	Reading.	St. Jakobus, Robeson, St. Johannis, Wyomissing, Allegeny, St. Mar-
1	Gardner, G. C.	Roxboro, Philadelphia.	Deutsche evangelische Kirche, Manayunk. [kus in Birdsboro.
2	Gardner, G. F.	Allentown.	St. Peters.
4	Gauker, J. W.	Palmyra, Lebanon County.	Palmyra, Campbellstown, Bindnagels, Schells, Wenrich's.
5	Geiger, W. H.	Pillow, Dauphin County.	Stone Valley, Zions, Georgetown, St. Lukas.
2	Geissinger, D. H.	Easton.	St. Johannis.
	Gerhardt, W., D.D.	Martinsburg, West Virginia.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
1	Gerhart, E. H.	Phönixville.	St. Johannis.
1	Gerlach, R.	Trenton, N. J.	Trinitatis.

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	Pastoren.	Wohnort.	Gemeinden.
5	German, J. P.	Berwick.	Mt. Zion, St. Jakobus, Briar Creek, St. Johannis, St. Paulus, St.
2	Geschwind, L. H.	Wilkesbarre.	St. Johannis. [Jakobus, Wapwallopen.
4	Gieß, H.	Jonestown, Lebanon County.	Zoars, St. Paulus, St. Johannis, Monroe Valley.
1	Gräpp, A. R. J.	Millville, N. J.	St. Paulus (Millville), St. Johannis (Vineland).
1	Grahn, H.	1009 Süd 4. Str., Philadelphia.	Emanuels.
3	Groh, L.	Boyertown, Berks County.	St. Johannis und Hubers.
3	Glasow, P. F. A.	Tamaqua.	St. Johannis.
5	Groff, J. R.	Danville.	St. Johannis, St. Jakobus, St. Peters, Trinitatis.
3	Gruhler, J.	Shenandoah.	St. Johannis.
3	Günsch, G. F. W.	Minersville, Schuylkill Co.	Zions.
	Hantz, J. M.	Watertown, Wisc.	Professor.
4	Hatzler. J. W.	Neu Holland, Lancaster Co.	Trinitatis.
1	Heck, J.	1613 Fairmount Ave., Philadelphia.	Diakonissenlehrer und Missionar der Synode im deutschen Hospital zu
2	Heilig, Th.	Stroudsburg, Monroe Co.	Zions und St. Paulus. [Philadelphia.
3	Heilmann, U. P.	Athol, Berks Co.	Amityville, Friedensburg und Pricetown.
5	Henkel, D. M., D.D.	Catawissa, Columbia Co.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
	Hennicke, F. T.	Frostburg, Maryland.	Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
5	Henry, S. S.	Pillow, Dauphin Co.	Klingers, Coleman, Arty.
1	Hill, R.	Philadelphia.	Agent des Seminars.
5	Hillpot, J.	Elizabethville, Dauphin Co.	St. Johannes, Salems, Zions, St. Jakobus und Simeon.
3	Hinterleitner, G. A.	Pottsville.	Trinitatis und St. Johannis (Middleport).
1	Hirzel, C. J.	Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia.	Christus.
2	Horak, C.	Freeland, Luzerne Co.	Missionar unter den Slovaken.
3	Horine, M. C.	Reading.	St. James.
2	Horne, A. R., D.D.	Allentown.	Schönersville, Rittersville, Friedensville, Lehigh.
4	Houpt, C. E.	21. Ost James Str., Lancaster.	Gnaden-Kirche.
	Hudson, W. G.	Indien.	Telugu Mission.
3	Humbert, D. K.	Bowers, Berks Co.	DeLongs, Long Swamp, Huffs, Hill, St. Paulus, Neu-Jerusalem.
	Hunt, B. H.	Bedford.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
3	Huntzinger, F. K.	Reading.	St. Lukas (Reading), Elsaß, St. Peters.
1	Isenschmid, P., M.D.	Wilmington, Delaware.	Zions.

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1	Jacobs, H. E., D.D.	4104 Powelton Ave., West Philadel'a	Professor am Philadelphia Seminar.
2	Jäger, J.	Allentown.	Bedient keine Gemeinde.
3	Jäger, T. T.	228 Nord 5. Str., Reading.	Bern, Zions, Oley, Salem und Ziegels.
	Joseph, T.	Rajahmundry, Oft-Indien.	Eingeb. Telugu Miſſionar.
1	Kayſer, F.	1803 Süd 4. Str., Philadelphia.	Dieſes Jahr ordiniert.
1	Kepner, D. K.	Pottstown.	Emanuels.
1	Klingenſmith, U. J.	Limberton, Cheſter Co.	St. Peters (West Pikeland).
2	Klingler, J. W.	Mount Bethel, Northampton Co.	Chriſtus, Mt. Zion, St. Paulus und Bethel.
1	Kline, J. J.	Neu Hanover, Montgomery Co.	Falkner Schwamm. Dieſes Jahr ordinirt.
2	Kohler, C. S.	Cataſauqua.	Trinitatis.
4	Kohler, J.	Leacock, Lancaſter Co.	Zions.
1	Konrad, O. C.	Norristown, Pa.	St. Paulus.
	Kräling, E. C. J.	190 Livingſtone Str., Brooklyn, N.Y.	Gehilfe von Paſtor Hennicke.
3	Kramlich, B. E.	Kutztown, Berks Co.	Trexlertown, Maxatawny, Merztown, Rockland, Fleetwood, Topton.
2	Kramlich, M. J.	Fogelsville, Lehigh Co.	St. Peters, Cheſtnut Hill und Gehilfe von Paſtor B. E. Kramlich.
1	Krotel, G. F., D.D.	49 West 21. Str., New York.	Trinitatis. Präſident der Synode.
2	Kuder, J. H.	Lehighton, Carbon Co.	Trinitatis.
3	Kündig, J. J.	Reading.	St. Johannis.
2	Kühn, C.	90 South Str., Wilkesbarre.	St. Paulus.
2	Kuntz, D.	Nazareth, Northampton Co.	St. Johannes, Salems und Arndts.
3	Kuntz. J. J.	Conyngham, Luzerne Co.	Chriſtus, St. Johannes, Emanuels, Friedens, St. Paulus.
3	Kuntz, W. H.	Schuylkill Haven.	Jeruſalems, St. Paulus, St. Johannes.
1	Laird, S., D.D.	1314 Spring Garden Str., Philadel'a.	St. Markus und Schatzmeiſter der Synode.
4	Laitzle, W. G.	Lebanon.	Ohne Pfarrſtelle.
3	Lauer, W. C. L.	Frackville, Schuylkill Co.	Zions (Frackville) und Zions (St. Clair).
2	Lazarus, J. W.	Allentown.	Verſieht Paſtor G. L. Brügels Stelle.
5	Lenker, M. B.	Lykens, Dauphin Co.	St. Johannis, Trinitatis, St. Paulus.
2	Leopold, O.	Fogelsville, Lehigh Co.	St. Johannis, Ziegels, Cedarville, Weißenburg, Morgenland.
2	Lindenſtruth, L.	Mauch Chunk.	St. Johannis und St.-Johannis (Oſt Mauch Chunk). Deutſcher
1	Linß, Aug.	1412 Tioga Str., Philadelphia.	Trinitatis, 16. und Tioga Str. [Sekretär der Synode.
3	Long, A. J.	Stouchsburg, Berks Co.	Stouchsburg, Rehrersburg, Newmanstown, Millbach, Kl. Tulpehocken
	MacCready, F. J. C.	Rajahmundry, Indien.	Telugu Miſſion. [und Schäfferstown.
1	Mann, W. J., D.D.	114 Nord 34. Str., West Philadel'a.	Profeſſor am theologiſchen Seminar u. Paſtor Emeritus d. Zions-Gem.
4	Markley, A. B.	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.	Zions.
	Martens, D. M.	Augusta, Ga.	Deutſche ev.-luth. Gemeinde. (Nicht in Verbindung mit der Synode.)
4	Martin, A. Prof.	Gettysburg.	Profeſſor am Pennſylvania College.

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	Pastoren.	Wohnort.	Gemeinden.
2	Mattern, J. W.	Stroudsburg.	St. Johannis.
1	Mayne, J. W.	Dublin, Bucks Co.	St. Lukas (Dublin), Christus (Tinicum).
4	Mayser, F. P.	Lancaster.	Zions.
1	Miller, E. L.	Doylestown.	St. Paulus.
1	Miller, H. S.	Phönixville.	Keine Pfarrstelle.
3	Miller, O. D.	Hamburg.	St. Johannis, Schuhmachersville, St. Paulus, Neu Bethel.
1	Mühlenberg, F. A., D.D.	4307 Walnut Str., West Philadel'a.	Professor an der Universität von Pennsylvanien.
4	Müller, G. P.	Marietta, Lancaster Co.	Zions.
3	Müller, W. A. C.	Kutztown.	Trinitatis und Zions (Moselem).
3	Myers, W. H.	Reading.	Gnaden-Kirche
3	Meyer, J. H.	Mahanoy City.	Christus, St. Peters.
1	Neff, J.	Spring City, Chester Co.	Zions und Spring City.
5	Neiman, J. H.	Catawissa, Columbia Co.	St. Johannis, St. Paulus, Emanuels.
1	Nidecker, J. E.	228 Franklin Str., Philadelphia.	St. Michaelis und Zions.
5	Ochsenford, S. E.	Selinsgrove, Snyder Co.	Erste Evang.-Luth. (Selinsgrove) und Zions (Kratzerville).
1	Ohl, J. F.	Quakertown, Bucks Co.	St. Johannis (Quakertown), St. Paulus (Applebachsville) und Kellers
	Paulus, R.	Rajahmundry, Indien.	Eingeborener Telugu-Missionar. [(Bedminster).
2	Pfatteicher, Ph.	Easton.	Zions.
5	Pflüger, A. P.	Turbotville, Northumberland Co.	Zions und Washingtonville.
4	Pfuhl, J. G.	Harrisburg.	St. Michaels.
	Pick, B. Ph.D.	Allegheny.	Gemeinde nicht in Verbindung mit der Synode.
1	Plitt, J. K.	3906 Powelton Ave., West Phila.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
1	Pohle, E. H.	4325 Aspen Str., West Philadelphia.	St. Peters.
	Poulsen, J. K.	Samulcotta, Ost-Indien.	Missionar.
2	Rath, M. H.	Allentown.	Salomons (Macungie).
2	Rath, W.	Allentown.	Zions, Jerusalem, St. Johannis, New Jerusalem, St. Paulus.
5	Reed, D. E.	Cogan Station, Lycoming Co.	St. Michaels (und Jersey Shore).
4	Reed, E. L.	Lancaster.	Christus-Kirche.
3	Rehrig, W. M.	Girardville, Schuylkill Co.	Zions.
1	Reiter, D. H.	Richland Centre, Bucks Co.	St. Johannis, Zions, Emanuels und Christus.
2	Renninger, J. S.	Slatington, Lehigh Co.	Egypten, Union, St. Johannis, Friedens, Heidelberg.

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2	Repaß, S. A., D.D.	Allentown.	St. Johannis.
2	Richards, M H.	Allentown.	Professor am Mühlenberg-Collegium.
5	Rickert, W. H.	Williamsport.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
1	Rieb, W.	140 Court Str., Newark, N. J.	St. Johannis.
1	Röder, R. D.	Norristown.	Gnaden-Kirche.
3	Roeller, J.	Kutztown, Berks Co.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
4	Rumple, J. W.	220 Nord Prince Str., Lancaster.	Lehrer.
1	Sadtler, B., D.D	Baltimore.	Keine Pfarrstelle.
2	Sandt, C. E.	Freemansburg.	St. Johannis (Williams Twp.), St. Markus (Aineyville) und Trinita-
	Sandt, G. W.	Rock Island, Ill.	Professor am Augustana-College. [tis (Freemansburg).
3	Sanner, D.	Tremont, Schuylkill Co.	St. Johannis, Friedens, Friedens, Salems.
1	Schaeffer, C. W., D.D.	4784 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia.	Professor am Philadelphia-Seminar und em. Pastor von St. Michael,
1	Schaeffer, Wm. Ashmead	3815 Hamilton Str., West Philadel'a.	St. Stephans. [Germantown.
4	Schantz, F. J. F.	Myerstown, Lebanon Co.	Friedens und St. Johannis.
2	Sheffer, J. A.	245 Nord 6. Str., Allentown	St. Lukas und Hannover-Missionssonntagsschulen.
1	Schimpf, M.	Frankford, Philadelphia.	Immanuels.
2	Schindel, J. D.	Allentown.	St. Paulus (Catasauqua), St. Johannis (Coplay), und Süd White Hall.
3	Schlenker, J. O.	Tamaqua.	Dieses Jahr ordiniert.
4	Schmauk, B. W., A.M.	Lebanon.	Salems und St. Paulus (Annville).
4	Schmauk, T. E.	Lebanon.	Hilfspastor von Pastor B. W. Schmauk.
	Schmidt, H. C.	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien.	Missionar.
1	Schmidt, H. J. D.D.	New York City.	Professor Emeritus des Columbia-Collegiums.
5	Schmidt, J. C.	Mahanoy, Northumberland Co.	Ohne Parrstelle.
2	Schmidt, J. H.	Freeland, Luzerne Co.	St. Lukas, St. Paulus, St. Johannis, St. Peters.
1	Schmieder, H. C.	726 Nord 7. Str. Philadelphia.	Gehilfe von Pastor F. Wischan.
1	Schmucker, B. M., D.D.	Pottstown.	Verklärungs-Kirche.
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	Pastoren, die zugleich Professoren sind	2	
	Gehülfen und Stellvertreter von Pastoren	4	
	Professoren und Lehrer	14	
	Pastoren ohne Gemeinden und im Ruhestand	26	
	Missionare in Indien	7	
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Gemeinden	(5 nicht eingeschlossen, die von Pastoren des Ministeriums bedient werden, aber nicht zur Synode gehören)		408
	Parochien des Ministeriums		186
	Confirmirte Glieder	91,619	
	Zum Abendmahl gingen	75,448	
	Kindertaufen	8,716	

Zunahme.—	Durch Taufe Erwachsener	288	
	Durch Confirmation	5,178	
	Aus andern lutherischen Gemeinden	1,558	
	Aus andern Gemeinschaften	251	
			7,275

Abnahme.—	Durch Tod	1,820	
	Durch Wegzug	939	
	Durch Ausschluß	93	
			2,852

Gemeindeschulen		14
	Lehrer	31
	Schüler	1,292

Sonntagschulen. — 1.	Lutherische	196
	Lehrer	4,680
	Schüler	39,093
2.	Unlutherische	234
	Lehrer	2,180
	Schüler	21,219

Gesammtzahl der Sonntagschulen 430, der Lehrer 6,860, der Schüler 60,312.

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			33,883 36
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a) Heidenmission	3,631 77		
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Anhang B.

Bericht des verstorbenen Schatzmeisters J. B. Rath.

J. B. Rath in Rechnung mit dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien u. s. w. vom 2. Juni 1885 bis 13. Juli 1885.

I. Allgemeiner Fond.

Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr.....	$1997 36	Deutsche Einheimische Missions-Committee	$500 00
Beiträge von Gemeinden.....	7079 30	Englische Einheimische Missions-Committee	300 00
		Wittwe M. Krauth.....	125 00
		Pastor J. B. Rath's Gehalt und Auslagen	75 00
		Bilanz in der Kasse.....	8076 66
	$9076 66		$9076 66

II. Erziehungskasse.

Von Gemeinden.....	$661 92	Studenten des Mühlenberg-Collegiums.....	$143 00
		Studenten im Thiel-Collegium...	58 75
		In der Kasse.....	460 17
	$661 92		$661 92

III. Einheimische Missionskasse.

Von Gemeinden.....	$754 92	Missionen der Synode.....	$715 00
Defizit.....	697 58	Englische Stadt-Mission.....	375 00
		Deutsche Stadt-Mission.....	362 50
	$1452 50		$1452 50

IV. Heiden-Missionskasse.

Von Gemeinden	$1478 34	In der Kasse.....	$1478 34

V. Pastoren-, Wittwen- und Waisenkasse.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr.....	$286 22	Ausbezahlt.....	$ 25 00
Beiträge.....	20 51	In der Kasse.....	281 73
	$306 73		$306 73

VI. Deutsche Professur im Mühlenberg Collegium.

Beiträge.....	$439 24	In der Kasse.....	$439 24

VII. English Church Book Kasse.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr.....	$521 68	In der Kasse.....	$521 68

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VIII. Kasse des Theologischen Seminars.

1. Laufende Einnahmen und Ausgaben.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr.....	$607 69	Gehalt der Professoren.....	$1760 83
Beiträge.....	177 34		
Defizit.....	957 80		
	$1760 83		$1760 83

2. Neues Seminar.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr.....	$3877 84	Ausbezahlt.....	$3827 75
Beiträge.....	2400 65	In der Kasse.....	2450 74
	$6278 49		$6278 49

3. Rechnung über das Fundirungs-Kapital.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr..	$21,538 76	Ausbezahlt.....	$ 8,500 00
		In der Kasse.....	13,038 76
	$21,538 76		$21,538 76

4. Bibliothek-Fond.

Ueberschuß vom letzten Jahr.....	$101 50	In der Kasse.....	$101 50

Zusammenstellung.

In der Synodalkasse:

Allgemeiner Fond	$8,076 66	
Erziehung	460 17	
Heidenmission.....	1,478 34	
Pastoren-Wittwenkasse.....	281 73	
Deutsche Professur.....	439 24	
Englisches Church Book.....	521 68	
		$11,257 82

In der Seminarkasse:

Neues Seminar.....	$ 2,450 74	
Fundirungs-Kapital	13,038 76	
Bibliothek.....	101 50	
		$15,591 00
Sämmtliche Bilanz in der Kasse.....		$25,175 44

Die Committee, welche ernannt war, obige Rechnung zu prüfen, berichtet dem Präsidenten des Ministeriums, achtungsvoll, daß sie dieselbe geprüft mit den beiliegenden Belegen verglichen und richtig gefunden habe.

Bethlehem, den 13. Juli 1885.

W. Rath,
C. J. Cooper,
T. H. Diehl,
} Committee.

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Anmerkungen.

Ihre Committee prüfte ebenfalls das Bank-Buch des Schatzmeisters und fand folgende Summen dem Ministerium gutgeschrieben:

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Mechanics Bank, Philadelphia	322 23
Mechanics Bank, Philadelphia (Besonders)	11,557 73
Philadelphia Trust und Safe Deposit Co	4,130 19
Bethlehem National Bank	7,935 05
Summa	$25,375 55
Die ganze vom Schatzmeister berichtete Bilanz von	$25,175 44
ergibt einen Ueberschuß in der Bank von	200 11

In Bezug auf diesen Ueberschuß gibt der Bericht keinen Aufschluß. Ob der verstorbene Schatzmeister Gelder deponirt hat, ohne dieselben den Gebern gut zu schreiben, oder woher dieser Ueberschuß sonst kommen mag, kann weder Ihre Committee, noch der Schatzmeister sagen. Doch wird hier darüber berichtet als Gutschrift für das Ministerium und wird, wenn er sich nicht vorher erklärt, dem neulich ernannten Schatzmeister ausbezahlt werden.

Bethlehem, Pa., den 13. Juli 1885.

W. Rath,
C. J. Cooper,
T. H. Diehl, } Committee.

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gehalten vom 10. bis 12. Januar 1887 in der Kirche der Heiligen Communion zu Philadelphia, Penna.

Einem bei der letzten Versammlung in Easton gefaßten Beschluß zufolge versammelte sich die Synode zur genannten Zeit und am genannten Ort, behufs Beratung und Annahme der revidierten Konstitution. Die Versammlung wurde Montag, den 10. Januar, Nachmittags 3 Uhr vom Ehrw. Präsidenten, Dr. G. F. Krotel, nach der Ordnung in der Agende eröffnet. Hierauf wurde die Namenliste verlesen. Folgende waren während den verschiedenen Sitzungen anwesend:

Pastoren: Ehrw. C. F. Welden, C. W. Schäffer, D. D., W. G. Laitzle, E. A. Bauer, J. A. Seiß, D. D. LL. D., W. J. Mann, D. D., A. J. Weddell, W. S. Emery, J. Kohler, B. Sadtler, D. D., B. M. Schmucker, D. D., G. F. Krotel, D. D., T. T. Jäger, F. Walz, J. K. Plitt, G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D., W. Rath, J. Fry, D. D., J. W. Haßler, F. A. Mühlenberg, D.D. LL. D., R. Hill, H. Grahn, F. J. F. Schantz, B. E. Kramlich, J. A. Darmstätter, D. Sanner, H. Bruning, J. W. Early, J. J. Kündig, Enoch Smith, G. A. Strunz, J. H. Fritz, G. A. Brügel, J. R. Groff, S. Laird, D. D., J. H. Schmidt, A. Späth, D. D., B. F. Apple, W. B. Fox, J. G. Pfuhl, L. Groh, J. S. Renninger, M. Schimpf, S. A. K. Francis, J. C. Dizinger, J. Gruhler, H. E. Jakobs, D.D., J. R. Shoffner, J. J. Creßman, D. K. Humbert, J. D. Schindel, T. L. Seip, D. D., J. Zentner, G. F. Spieker, D. D., R. Gerlach, F. P. Mayser, F. W. Weiskotten, F. K. Huntzinger, P. Isenschmid, M. D., J. H. Meyer, W. A. Schäffer, J. Heck, S. A. Repaß, L. H. Geschwind, C. J. Cooper, D. K. Kepner, W. H. Strauß, J. W. Bieber, F. F. Bürmeyer, G. D. Foust, F. Wischan, D. H. Geissinger, J. Neff, M. J. Kramlich, W. H. Kuntz, J. J. Kuntz, W. C. L. Lauer, E. E. Sibole, S. A. Ziegenfuß, J. F. Ohl, O. P. Smith, B. S. Smoll, H. B. Strodach, F. P. Bender, E. S. Brownmiller, D. L. Coleman, C. E. Haupt, J. E. Nidecker, J. A. Scheffer, B. H. Warnke, J. S. Erb, C. J. Hirzel, W. H. Myers, A. P. Pflüger, J. A. Baumann, W. J. Andres, J. L. Becker, L. Lindenstruth,

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M. D. Rath, L. Smith, G. P. Müller, E. H. Pohle, W. A. C. Müller, S. E. Ochsenford, R. M. Zimmermann, E. R. Caſſaday, E. K. Drumheller, J. F. C. Fluck, E. H. Gerhart, W. J. Bieber, J. P. Deck, C. L. Fry, D. H. Reiter, H. E. Semmel, J. L. Sibole, E. M. Smith, A. W. Walter, M. L. Zweizig, J. H. Kuder, W. M. Rehrig, C. K. Binder, Carl Horak, J. H. Umbenhen, T. E. Schmauk, T. N. Ander, O. D. Miller, G. C. Gardner, O. D. Bartholomew, J. L. Bickel, J. Darmſtätter, A. R. J. Gräpp, U. J. Klingenſmith, J. W. Lazarus, R. D. Röder, C. E. Sandt, E. H. Smoll, O. C. Konrad, H. C. Schmieder, J. Witke, P. F. A. Glaſow, J. J. Kline, J. O. Schlenler, W. F. Schöner, B. G. Welder. 145.

Laien-Delegaten. W. H. Staake, Esq., H. Lehman, Wm. Hauff, Carl Haring, Levi H. Ließ, G. C. Böhm, J. E. Kline, Arno Hamel, J. J. Mohr, Friedr. Bauer, Geo. Yorgey, P. H. A. Stephany, Edw. S. Kutz, Wm. Stotz, Peter Woll, J. Blum, L. Dichman, Prof. S. P. Sadtler, T. H. Diehl, A. Steigerwalt, J. Born, W. G. Heller, F. Diemer, J. Leupold, J. McClellan, M. Langenſtein, J. G. Finley, J. Bowman, M. D., Chriſt. Repp, L. P. Langor, Geo. Anderman, G. W. Michener, B. F. Ward, A. P. Litzenberger, Geo. Shimer, Chriſt. Meyers, G. F. Neimann, J. A. Laudenberger, Fr. Charles, Gottlieb Gohl, Konrad Snell. 41.

Der Ehrw. Präſident erklärte nun den Zweck der Verſammlung, nämlich, die Beratung und Annahme der revidirten Conſtitution, und gab einen Ueberblick über das, was bereits in dieſer Angelegenheit gethan worden iſt. Da der Committee über die neue Konſtitution verſchiedene Eingaben zugekommen waren, berichtete Ehrw. J. A. Seiß, D. D. als Vorſitzer der Committee, daß die erſte Eingabe, die ihr zugegangen war, nämlich eine Schrift über das Aufſichtsamt, in der vorgelegten, revidirten Conſtitution, ſoweit es die Umſtände erlauben, berückſichtigt worden ſei. Dr. Seiß verlas hierauf den Bericht der Committee über eine Conferenz für deutſche Gemeinden. Die revidirte Conſtitution, nebſt verſchiedenen Zuſätzen und Verbeſſerungen wurde Punkt für Punkt nach ſorgfältiger Beratung gutgeheißen und

Beſchloſſen: Daß die Conſtitution, wie ſie bei dieſer vertagten Verſammlung gutgeheißen worden iſt, dem Miniſterium bei ſeiner nächſten regelmäßigen Verſammlung zur Annahme vorgelegt werde.

Beſchloſſen, daß die Conſtitution an die Committee zurückgewieſen werde, damit dieſelbe die nötigen Veränderungen im Wortlaut und der Ordnung der Paragraphen machen möge und alsdann ermächtigt ſei, dieſelbe für den Gebrauch des Miniſteriums drucken zu laſſen.

Die Beſtimmung des Orts der nächſten regelmäßigen Verſammlung wurde den Beamten des Miniſteriums überlaſſen.

Folgender Vorſchlag von Ehrw. W. J. Mann, D. D. wurde angenommen: Da es im gegenwärtigen Jahr hundert Jahre ſind, ſeit dem Tode des

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Ehrw. Dr. Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg, deſſen Verdienſte um die Gründung und Organiſation der lutheriſchen Kirche in dieſem Lande in dankbarer Erinnerung gehalten werden ſollen, deßwegen ſei

Beſchloſſen, daß eine Committee ernannt werde, um Vorkehrungen zu treffen, daß eine des Lebens und Wirkens Dr. Mühlenbergs würdige Gedächtnisfeier bei der regelmäßigen Verſammlung des Miniſteriums in dieſem Jahr gehalten werde.

Als Committee ernannte der Ehrw. Präſident die Ehrw. Doktoren W. J. Mann, B. M. Schmucker und A. Späth.

Nachdem der Gemeinde, in deren Kirche die Synode ſich verſammeln durfte, durch Beſchluß der gebührende Dank ausgeſprochen war, und die Verhandlungen der letzten Sitzung verleſen und angenommen waren, vertagte ſich die Synode und wurde Mittwoch Abend den 12. Januar nach der in der Agende vorgeſchriebenen Ordnung und mit Geſang des Liedes „Ein' feſte Burg" geſchloſſen.

Philadelphia, Pa., den 12. Januar 1887.

L. Lindenſtruth, deutſcher Secretär.

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Gottesdienste,

welche während der 140. Jahresversammlung in der Ev.-Luth. Zionskirche abgehalten wurden:

Donnerstag, den 2. Juni, Vorm. 10.30: Beichtrede von Pastor C. Kühn über 1. Mose, 3, 2—5, und Synodalpredigt vom Ehrw. Präsidenten, Dr. G. F. Krotel, über Apostelgeschichte 20, 28—32; hierauf Feier des heiligen Abendmahls.

Donnerstag Abend, 8 Uhr, wurde ein Gottesdienst im Interesse der Erziehungssache gehalten. Pastor B. W. Schmauk hielt eine deutsche und Dr. T. L. Seip eine englische Ansprache. Pastor C. J. Cooper leitete den Altardienst.

Freitag Abend, den 3. Juni, wurden Missionsreden gehalten und zwar von Pastor R. Gerlach in deutscher Sprache über Heiden- und von Pastor D. H. Geissinger in englischer Sprache über Einheimische Mission.

Sonntag Vormittag, den 5. Juni, predigte der Ehrw. W. J. Mann, D. D. in der Zionskirche.

Sonntag Nachmittag fand eine gemeinschaftliche Feier der Sonntagschulen der St. Michaelis- und Zionsgemeinde und der englischen St. Johnsgemeinde statt, bei welcher die Pastoren T. N. Ander, F. Walz und F. J. F. Schantz Ansprachen hielten.

Sonntag Abend predigte Pastor J. G. Pfuhl.

Auch in den andern lutherischen Kirchen der Stadt predigten verschiedene Glieder des Ministeriums.

Montag Abend, den 6. Juni, fand die Gedächtnisfeier von Dr. Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg statt. Der Ehrw. Dr. W. J. Mann entrollte mit großer Fertigkeit ein Lebens-Bild des Gründers der Synode und Patriarchen unserer lutherischen Kirche in Amerika. Nach ihm sprach Dr. B. M. Schmucker in englischer Sprache. Dr. G. F. Krotel und Dr. A. Späth versahen den liturgischen Teil.

Dienstag Abend, den 7. Juni, fand die Ordination von 21 Kandidaten des Predigtamts statt. Pastor A. Späth, D.D. hielt die Ordinations-Predigt über Matthäus 20, 1—16. Die Beamten der Synode vollzogen sodann die Ordinationshandlung. Die Namen der Ordinirten sind auf Seite 15 und in den Ministerial-Verhandlungen zu finden.

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Verhandlungen

der

140sten Jahres-Versammlung

zu Philadelphia, Pa.

„Das Evangelisch-Lutherische Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und den angrenzenden Staaten" trat Donnerstag den 2. Juni 1887, Vormittags halb 11 Uhr, in der evang.-luth. Zions-Kirche, Philadelphia, Pa., zur einhundertundvierzigsten Jahresversammlung zusammen.

Die Pastoren und Laiendelegaten versammelten sich im Betsaal, woselbst Pastor Conrad Kühn eine Beichtrede hielt über 1. Mose 3, 2—5 und der Ehrw. Präsident Dr. G. F. Krotel die Beichthandlung vollzog. Hierauf zogen die Synodalen in die festlich geschmückte Kirche, wo der Hauptgottesdienst gehalten wurde. Der Ehrw. Präsident Dr. G. F. Krotel hielt die Eröffnungspredigt auf Grund der Schriftworte Apostelgeschichte 20, 28—32. Die beiden Secretäre leiteten den Altar-Gottesdienst und assistierten in der Austeilung des heiligen Abendmahls.

1. Synodal-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

Zions-Kirche, Philadelphia, Pa.

Donnerstag, den 2. Juni 1887, 3 Uhr Nachm.

Die Synode wurde vom Ehrw. Präsidenten, Dr. G. F. Krotel, nach der in der Agende vorgeschriebenen Ordnung eröffnet. Hierauf wurde die Namenliste der Pastoren, sowie der Laiendelegaten verlesen und die Namen mehrerer noch nicht angemeldeter Delegaten eingetragen:

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	Pastoren.	Trat ins Amt.	Trat in die Synode.	Wohnort.	Laien-Delegaten.
1	e H. S. Miller	1823	1823	Phönixville	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
2	e J. Jäger	1827	1827	Allentown	" "
3	e J. Röller	1829	1829	Kutztown	" "
4	e H. J. Schmidt, D. D.	1829	1879	New York City	Prof. Emer. des Columbia Collegiums.
5	C. F. Welden	1833	1836	877 Holly Str., West Philadelphia	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
6	C. W. Schäffer, D. D.	1835	1835	4784 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia	Präsident der Fakultät des Theol. Seminars und P. Emer. von St. Michael, Germantown.
7	e C. L. Erle	1840	1840	Colly, Sullivan Co.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
8	W. G. Laitzle	1840	1841 / 1853	Lebanon	" "
9	E. A. Bauer	1841	1842	Hazleton	e Peter Heidenreich.
10	W. J. Mann, D. D.	1842	1851	114 N. 34. Str., West Philadelphia	Prof. am Theol. Seminar und P. Emer. der Zions-Gemeinde.
11	J. A. Seiß, D. D.. LL. D.	1842	1865	1338 Spring Garden Ave., Philadelphia	Wm H. Staake, Esq.
12	a W. Weaver	1843	1853	Phönixville	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
13	e A. J. Weddell	1843	1868	Norristown	Sam'l High.
14	W. S. Emery	1844	1862	Frenchtown, N. J.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
15	J. Kohler	1844	1849	Leacock, Lancaster Co.	
16	B. Sadtler	1844	1856 / 1877	565 Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore, Md.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
17	J. C. Schmidt	1844	1844	Mahanoy	" "
18	J. G. Abele	1846	1882	Harrisburg	Joh. A. Gramm.
19	e W. Gerhard, D. D.	1847	1848 / 1854 / 1861	Martinsburg, W. Va.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
20	B. M. Schmucker, D. D.	1847	1853	Pottstown	
21	T. T. Jäger	1848	1848	228 N. 5. Str., Reading	
22	G. F. Krotel, D.D. (Präs. d. Min.)	1848	1848 / 1879	49 W. 21. Str., New York City	Aug. Eckel.
23	F. Walz	1848	1848	Sellersville	Daniel Rahn.
24	H. Weickfel	1848	1864	Line Mountain, Northumberland Co.	
25	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.	1849	1884	Philippsburg, N. J.	Thomas Paulus.
26	D. M. Henkel, D. D.	1849	1856 / 1883	Catasauqua	

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27	C. Kühn	1849	1884	Willesbarre	Robert Baur.
28	J. K. Plitt	1850	1874	3906 Powelton Ave., West Philadelphia	
29	G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.	1851	1851	Pottsville	A. W. Seltzer, Stellv. Carl Kopitzsch.
30	T. Steck	1851	1857	Bridgeton, N. J.	
31	e P. F. Zizelmann	1851	1860	226 Mifflin Ave., Scranton	
32	Wm. Rath	1852	1852	Allentown	
33	J. Fry, D. D.	1853	1865	Reading	A. W. Petteiger.
34	G. F. Gardner	1853	1853	Allentown	
35	B. W. Schmauk	1853	1853	Lebanon	E. K. Manbeck.
36	J. W. Haßler	1854	1854	New Holland, Lancaster Co.	Geo. H. Ranck.
37	R. Hill, (Agent des Seminars)	1854	1874	East Mt. Airy Ave., Philadelphia	
38	F. A. Mühlenberg, D. D., LL. D.	1854	1854	4307 Walnut Str., West Philadelphia	Prof. an der Universität von Penn'a.
39	F. Berkemeyer	1855	1855	Sellersville	Wm. H. Savacool.
40	e D. M. Martens	1855	1882	Augusta, Ga.	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
41	H. Grahn	1856	1856	1009 S. 4. Str., Philadelphia	Georg C. Böhm.
42	J. F. Wampole	1856	1868	Freeburg, Snyder Co.	Prof. D. S. Boyer.
43	F. J. F. Schantz	1857	1858	Myerstown	Washington Myers.
44	B E. Kramlich	1858	1859	Kutztown	B. H. Kalb.
45	D. Kuntz	1858	1858	Nazareth	Samuel Shively.
46	J. A. Darmstätter	1859	1859	Columbia	
47	A. Finfrock	1859	1865	Womelsdorf	
48	A. R. Horne, D. D.	1859	1870	Allentown	E. F. Osenbach.
49	O. Leopold	1859	1859	Fogelsville, Lecha Co.	Heinrich Stein.
50	D. Sanner	1859	1859	Tremont	Christ. Imschweiler.
51	J. H. Voß	1859	1872	Ansonia	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
52	B. D. Zweizig	1859	1859	Reading	
53	H. H. Bruning	1860	1867 / 1881	White Haven	Heinrich Hemsath.
54	J. W. Early, (Englischer Secr.)	1860	1860	Millersville	
55	J. H. Fritz	1860	1871	York	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
56	J. J. Kündig	1860	1860	609 Walnut Str., Reading	August H. Bartels.
57	A. Martin D. D.	1860	1870	Gettysburg	Prof. im Penn'a College
58	Ph. Pfatteicher	1860	1860	Easton	
59	Enoch Smith	1860	1882	Bethlehem	M. K. Muffelman.
60	G. A. Strunz	1860	1862	Pittston	
61	G. A. Brügel	1861	1875	Cherryville	
62	J. R. Groff	1861	1870 / 1875	Danville	Johann Doster.

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63	Th. Heilig	1861	1870	Stroudsburg	Johann S. Fischer.
64	S. Laird, D. D. (Schatzmeister)	1861	1865 / 1880	1314 Spring Garden Str., Philadel'a	J. J. Mohr.
65	J. H. Schmidt	1861	1864	Freeland	
66	A. Späth, D.D.(Prof. im Semin.)	1861	1865	1615 Girard Ave., Philadelphia	Friedrich Bauer.
67	A. M. Strauß	1861	1875	Gilberts, Monroe Co.	Mahlon H. Christman.
68	J. M. Anspach	1862	1868 / 1878	Easton	A. Keller Michler.
69	B. F. Apple	1862	1862	Bangor, Northampton Co.	Friedrich Finkbeiner.
70	e W. B. Fox	1862	1863	Sumneytown	Carl B. Roth.
71	J. G. Pfuhl	1862	1876	Harrisburg	J. G. Reichardt.
72	e H. Gieß	1863	1866	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.	
73	L. Groh	1863	1863	Boyertown, Berks Co.	Geo. Yorgey.
74	G. F. W. Günsch	1863	1863	Minersville	e Jonas Laubenstein.
75	M. C. Horine	1863	1873	Reading	H. H. Johnston.
76	J. S. Renninger	1863	1864	Slatington	A. J. L. Breinig.
77	M. Schimpf	1863	1863 / 1868	Frankford, Philadelphia	Julius Föhr.
78	S. A. K. Francis	1864	1867	1431 S. 10. Str., Philadelphia	Geo. H. Hoffner.
79	M. H. Richards	1864	1869	Allentown	Prof. am Mühlenberg Collegium.
80	e W. Rieb	1864	1864	140 Court Str., Newark, N. J.	
81	J. C. Dizinger	1865	1865	Camden, N. J.	Carl E. Wenz.
82	M. B. Lenker	1865	1873	Lykens, Dauphin Co.	L. Reiffer.
83	W. D. Cornman	1866	1866	Reading	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
84	G. W. Frederick	1866	1869	117 N. 6. Str., Philadelphia	Geschäfts-Agent des "Lutheran" und luth. Buchhändler.
85	J. Gruhler	1866	1872	Shenandoah	
86	H. E. Jacobs, D. D.	1866	1874	4104 Powelton Ave., West Philadelphia	Prof. im Philadelphia Seminar.
87	J. S. Hoffner	1866	1885	Columbia	
88	J. J. Creßman	1867	1867	Kutztown	W. Umbenhower.
89	J. Hillpot	1867	1871	Elizabethville, Dauphin Co.	
90	D. K. Humbert	1867	1867	Bowers, Berks Co.	
91	J. D. Schindel	1867	1867	Allentown	
92	L. L. Seip	1867	1867	Allentown	Präsident des Mühlenberg Collegiums.

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93	G. F. Spieker, D. D.	1867	1867	Allentown — Heinrich German.
94	J. Zentner	1867	1867–1873	Philipsburg, N. J.
95	S. H. Gable	1868	1874	Reading — Ruben B. Seidel.
96	R. Gerlach	1868	1884	Trenton, N. J. — A. Holz.
97	J. M. Hantz	1868	1874	Watertown, Wis — Prof. zu Watertown, Wis.
98	S. S. Henry	1868	1868	Pillow, Dauphin Co.
99	F. P. Mayser	1868	1868–1875	Lancaster
100	B. Pick, Ph. D.	1868	1884	Allegheny — Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
101	E. L. Reed	1868	1868	Lancaster — e Prof. R. K. Bührle.
102	D. D. Trexler	1868	1868	Bernville, Berks Co.
103	F. W. Weiskotten	1868	1868	2126 Hancock Str., Philadelphia — Peter Woll.
104	H. S. Fegely	1869	1869	Lynnville, Lecha Co. — Phaon Reitz.
105	L. H. Geschwind	1869	1869–1886	Wilkesbarre
106	J. Heck	1869	1886	2528 N. 6. Str., Philadelphia — Johann Kauffeld.
107	F. K. Huntzinger	1869	1869	Reading
108	P. Isenschmid, M. D.	1869	1869	Wilmington, Del.
109	A. Linsz	1869	1879	1412 Tioga Str., Philadelphia — Johann Blum.
110	J. H. Meyer	1869	1885	Mahanoy City
111	D. E. Reed	1869	1882	Cogan Station, Lycoming Co.
112	S. A. Repaß, D. D.	1869	1869–1886	Allentown — T. H. Diehl.
113	W. A. Schäffer	1869	1869	3815 Hamilton Str., West Philadelphia — Prof. S. P. Sadtler.
114	e H. C. Schmidt, (Missionar)	1869	1869	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien
115	C. J. Cooper	1870	1870	Allentown — Finanz-Agent d. Mühlenberg Colleg.
116	D. K. Kepner	1870	1870	Pottstown — Geo. Bauer.
117	W. H. Strauß	1870	1870	Lehighton — Ambrosius Steigerwalt.
118	J. W. Bieber	1871	1871	Bethlehem — Robert T. Schweitzer.
119	F. K. Bürmeyer	1871	1871	113 Ost 78. Str., New York.
120	G. D. Foust	1871	1871	North Wales
121	e J. K Poulsen, (Missionar)	1871	1871	Samulcotta, Ost-Indien
122	W. H. Rickert	1871	1871	Williamsport
123	F. Wischan	1871	1871	726 N. 7. Str., Philadelphia — Johann Born.
124	H. N. Fegely	1872	1872	Mechanicsburg — J. D. Raffensberger.
125	D. H. Geissinger	1872	1872	Easton — Wm. G. Heller
126	*F. Jelden	1872	1887	110 Duval Str., Germantown

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127	J. Neff	1872	1872	Spring City, Chester Co	
128	J. N. S. Erb	1873	1873	Orwigsburg, Schuylkill Co	
129	M. J. Kramlich	1873	1873	Fogelsville, Lecha Co	
130	J. J. Kuntz	1873	1873	Conyngham, Luzerne Co	
131	W. H. Kuntz	1873	1873	Slatington	
132	W. C. L. Lauer	1873	1885	Frackville, Schuylkill Co	
133	e J. W. Rumple	1873	1873	310 Livingstone Str., Brooklyn, N. Y.	
134	E. E. Sibole	1873	1875	516 Brown Str., Philadelphia	Henry Beates.
135	S. A. Ziegenfuß	1873	1873	Bath, Northampton Co	Dr. H. A. Gernerd.
136	e C. S. Kohler	1874	1874 / 1885	Scranton	
137	A. J. Long	1874	1874	Stouchsburg, Berks Co	
138	J. H. Neiman	1874	1874	Catawissa	Hermann Young.
139	J. F. Ohl	1874	1874	Quakertown	R. B. Stever.
140	O. P. Smith	1874	1874	Trappe, Montgomery Co	
141	B. S. Smoll	1874	1874	Klinesville, Berks Co	Abraham Fink.
142	D. M. Stetler	1874	1874	Mahanoy, Northumberland Co	Peter Snyder.
143	H. B. Strobach	1874	1874	306 Rodney Str., Brooklyn, N. Y.	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
144	F. P. Bender	1875	1875	2304 Ost York Str., Philadelphia	Heinrich Kellner.
145	E. S. Brownmiller	1875	1881	Ephrata	Elias Hacker.
146	D. L. Coleman	1875	1875	Centre Square, Montgomery Co	J. McClellan.
147	C. E. Haupt	1875	1875	21 Ost James Str., Lancaster	Jacob B. Hollinger.
148	J. E. Nidecker	1875	1875	228 Franklin Str., Philadelphia	Michael Langenstein.
149	J. A. Scheffer	1875	1886	Allentown	
150	B. H. Warnke	1875	1886	Woodbury, N. J.	
151	e J. A. Baumo[illegible]	1876	1876 / 1886	Allentown	Prof. im Mühlenberg Collegium.
152	J. S. Erb	1876	1876	Slatington	
153	C. J. Hirzel	1876	1876	Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia	J. L. Heilig.
154	W. H. Myers	1876	1876	Reading	
155	A. P. Pflüger	1876	1876	Turbotville, Northumberland Co	
156	e W. Wackernagel, D. D.	1876	1876	Allentown	Deutscher Prof. Mühlenberg Collegium, und bedient zugleich eine Gemeinde.
157	W. J. Andres	1877	1877	Bath	

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158	J. L. Becker	1877	1877	Sellersville	Carl H. Macknat.
159	*A. C. Droppa	1877	1887	Freeland	Michael Zemany.
160	A. E. Erdmann	1877	1877	Nazareth	
161	L. Lindenstruth, (Deutscher Secr.)	1877	1877	Mauch Chunk	e W. H. Kuntz.
162	M. O. Rath	1877	1877	Allentown	W. F. Danner.
163	L. Smith	1877	1877	Weatherly	
164	J. O. Upp	1877	1877	Süd Easton	Erwin Brotzman.
165	*A. L. Yount	1877	1887	Williamsport	L. Schneider.
166	J. P. German	1878	1878	Berwick, Columbia Co.	J. N. Peifer.
167	*C. H. Hemsath	1878	1878 1887	Bethlehem	J. B. Zimmele.
168	e T. Joseph, (Missionar)	1878	1878	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
169	aJ. W. Mattern	1878	1878	Stroudsburg	
170	G. P. Müller	1878	1878	Marietta, Lancaster Co.	
171	W. A C. Müller	1878	1884	Kutztown	
172	e N. Paulus, (Missionar)	1878	1878	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
173	E. H. Pohle	1878	1878	4325 Aspen Str., West Philadelphia	Adolf Kreutzer.
174	A. B. Markley	1879	1879	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.	Jerem. Heilman.
175	S. E. Ochsenford	1879	1879	Selinsgrove	
176	R. M. Zimmerman	1879	1884	2406 Columbia Ave, Philadelphia	J. G. Rapp.
177	E. R. Caffaday	1880	1880	842 Wharton Str., Philadelphia	
178	E. K. Drumheller	1880	1880	Danville	Franklin Boyer.
179	G. F. C. Fluck	1880	1880	504 West Cumberland Str., Philadel'a	E. H. Price.
180	J. W. Gauker	1880	1880	Palmyra, Lebanon Co.	Adam Keller
181	W. H. Geiger	1880	1880	Pillow, Dauphin Co.	Johann T. Wert.
182	E. H. Gerhart	1880	1880	Phönixville	Jonathan Billig.
183	W. J. Bieber	1881	1881	Hellertown	Joseph Richards.
184	J. P. Deck	1881	1884	5467 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia	Joseph Hindermyer.
185	C. L. Fry	1881	1881	Lancaster	R. A. Bär.
186	U. P. Heilman	1881	1881	Athol, Berks Co.	
187	D. H. Reiter	1881	1881	Richland Centre, Bucks Co.	Andr. Shelley.
188	H. E. Semmel	1881	1881	Litiz, Lancaster Co.	E. K. Seibert.
189	J. L. Sibole	1881	1881	701 Berks Str., Philadelphia	Geo. W. Michener.
190	E. M. Smith	1881	1881	Philadelphia	
191	A. W. Walter	1881	1881 1885	Easton	J. Berkey.
192	M. L. Zweizig	1881	1881	613 Mulberry Str., Scranton	
193	a W. A. Beates	1882	1882	Lancaster, Ohio	Lehrer.

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194	e F. Dietrich, (Missionar)	1882	1882	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
195	J. H. Kuder	1882	1882	Lehighton	H. D. Heydt, Esq.
196	W. M. Rehrig	1882	1882	Girardville	
197	Geo. S. Seaman	1882	1882	Elizabethtown, Lancaster Co.	
198	F. K. Berndt	1883	1883	Stetlersville, Lecha Co.	Edwin Heilman.
199	C. K. Binder	1883	1883	503 Linden Str., Camden, N. J.	Geo. Shimer.
200	J. W. Klingler	1883	1883	Stouchsburg	
201	T. E. Schmauk	1883	1883	Lebanon	C. R. Lantz, Esq.
202	S. B. Stupp	1883	1883	Lickdale, Lebanon Co.	
203	J. H. Umbenhen	1883	1883	Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co.	
204	T. R. Ander	1884	1884	Riverside, N. J.	
205	G. C. Gardner	1884	1884 / 1886	Roxboro, Philadelphia	Adam Groß.
206	J. W. Mayne	1884	1884	Dublin, Bucks Co.	Jacob Lear.
207	e J. F. C. McCready, (Missionar)	1884	1884	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
208	O. D. Miller	1884	1884	Hamburg, Berks Co.	H. K. Miller.
209	J. H. Uhrich	1884	1884	Myerstown	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
210	S. Wenrich	1884	1884	Dushore, Sullivan Co.	Jacob H. Yonkin.
211	P. P. Wisser	1884	1884	Hockendauqua, Lecha Co.	Ohne Pfarrstelle.
212	O. D. Bartholomew	1885	1885	Ringtown, Schuylkill Co.	D. L. Stauffer.
213	J. L. Bickel	1885	1885	Reading	
214	J. Darmstätter	1885	1885	Lock Haven	Christian Fabel.
215	A. R. J. Gräpp	1885	1885	Millville, N. J.	Heinrich Hilberg.
216	O. C. Konrad	1885	1886	Norristown	
217	U. J. Klingensmith	1885	1885	Kimberton, Chester Co.	Silas B. King.
218	J. W. Lazarus	1885	1885	Stone Church, Northampton Co.	Joseph B. Miller.
219	E. L. Miller	1885	1885	Doylestown	J. L. Kramer.
220	R. D. Röder	1885	1885	Norristown	Geo. F. Neiman.
221	C. E. Sandt	1885	1885	Freemansburg	Jacob Barner.
222	E. H. Smoll	1885	1885	Schuylkill Haven	Ruben Laubenstein.
223	Johann Witte	1885	1886	Baltimore, Md.	
224	A. C. Wuchter	1885	1885	Summit Hill, Carbon Co.	
225	Paul F. A. Glasow	1886	1886	Tamaqua	
226	F. Kayser	1886	1886	1803 S. 4. Str., Philadelphia	

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227	J. J. Kline	1886	1886	New Hanover, Montgomery Co.	
228	J. D. Schlenker	1886	1886	Tamaqua	
229	H. C. Schmieder	1886	1886	208 Beaver Str., Philadelphia	Gehilfe P. Wischans.
230	Wm. F. Schöner	1886	1886	Süd Bethlehem	
231	Benj. G. Welder	1886	1886	Reamstown, Lancaster Co.	
232	*Dr. Hermann V. Hilprecht	1887	1887	West Philadelphia	Prof. an der Universität von Penn'a.
233	*Ernst A. Behrens	1887	1887	Cramer Hill, N. J.	
234	*Alfred J. L. Breinig	1887	1887	Egypt, Lecha Co.	
235	*W. J. Finck	1887	1887	Wilmington, Del.	
236	*D. L. Fogelman	1887	1887	Minneapolis, Minn.	
237	*J. A. W. Haas	1887	1887	New York City	
238	*J. Heisler	1887	1887	Utica, N. Y.	
239	*H. F. A. Hellwege	1887	1887	Reading	Gehilfe P. Kündigs.
240	*W. D. C. Keiter	1887	1887	Allentown	
241	*Samuel L. Keller	1887	1887	Virginien	
242	*H. J. Kuber	1887	1887	White Hall, Lecha Co.	
243	*G. G. Kunkel	1887	1887	Broadheadsville, Monroe Co.	
244	*J. D. Leibensberger	1887	1887	Maxatawny, Berks Co.	
245	*D. E. Pflüger	1887	1887	Beavertown, Snyder Co.	
246	*J. J. Reitz	1887	1887	Ohio	
247	*G. J. Schäffer	1887	1887	Emmaus, Lecha Co.	
248	*G. M. Scheidy	1887	1887	Rose Bay, Nova Scotia	
249	*R. M. Smith	1887	1887	Baden, Beaver Co., Pa.	
250	*S. G. Weiskotten	1887	1887	416 W. 3. Str, Jamestown, N. Y.	
251	*W. H. Zuber	1887	1887	Pottstown	
	Vakant: Trevorton Pfarrstelle	.....	.....		Johann Binder.

Die mit einem * versehenen Namen in obiger Liste wurden bei der diesjährigen Versammlung aufgenommen. Ein a vor einem Namen bedeutet, daß der Betreffende abwesend war, ohne Entschuldigung, ein e abwesend mit Entschuldigung.

Als stimmberechtigtes Glied war noch gegenwärtig P. A. Richter, Delegat des New Yorker Ministeriums, welcher die Grüße dieses Körpers überbrachte und vom Präsidenten Dr. G. F. Krotel herzlich bewillkommt wurde.

Bei der Eröffnung waren 175 Pastoren und 87 Laien-Delegaten, und während den verschiedenen Sitzungen 223 Pastoren und 110 Laien-Delegaten anwesend. Die diesjährige Synode bestand demnach aus 334 stimmberechtigten Gliedern. Es wurden 4 Prediger aus andern Synoden aufgenommen und 21 Predigtamts-Candidaten ordinirt.

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Der ehrw. Präsident, Pastor G. F. Krotel, D.D., verlas hierauf seinen jährlichen Bericht.

Bericht des Präsidenten.

Liebe Brüder!

Obwohl ich aufgehört habe, ein Glied dieser Gemeinde zu sein, bleibe ich doch ein Sohn derselben, und als solcher gereicht es mir zur besonderen Freude, Sie als Gäste einer Gemeinde zu begrüßen, deren erste Kirchweihe, — die der alten St. Michaelis-Kirche, im Jahre 1748, das Häuflein zusammenführte, welches zu jener Zeit und in dieser Stadt, dieses Ministerium organisierte; und in derem zweiten Gotteshaus, dem großartigen alten Zion vergangener Tage, dieses Ministerium, im Jahre 1847, sein hundertjähriges Jubiläum feierte.

Als der erste Student des Mannes, der bestimmt war, der Professor des damals vor diesem Ministerum als so nötig erachteten und ernstlich erwünschten theologischen Seminars zu werden, eine Anstalt, die aber erst im Jahre 1864 ins Leben gerufen wurde, — schaute ich damals von der Emporkirche der alten St. Michaelis-Kirche, in welcher die Geschäftssitzungen jener hundertjährigen Versammlung gehalten wurden — herab, im Hinblick auf die Stunde, in welcher ich als Glied dieses Körpers aufgenommen werden sollte, aber ohne die geringste Ahnung, daß ich dereinst, nach vielen Jahren, diesen Platz einnehmen würde, in diesem neuen Zion, nur etliche Schritte von unserem theologischen Seminar, um Sie willkommen zu heißen, in dieser Stadt der Bruderliebe, in welcher dieses Ministerium schon so oft zusammengekommen, und mit welcher seine Geschichte so innig verbunden ist.

In dem Briefe, in welchem ich die herzliche Einladung der ehrsamen Corporation dieser Gemeinde, unsere diesjährige Versammlung hier zu halten, dankbar annahm, machte ich darauf aufmerksam, daß diese Einladung gerade in dieser Zeit zur rechten Stunde kam, weil unser Ministerium beschlossen hat, während dieser Jahresversammlung eine Gedächtnisfeier zu Ehren des seligen Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg, des Patriarchen der lutherischen Kirche in Amerika, und des ersten — und ich darf wohl, ohne irgend eine Geringschätzung der bedeutenden Männer die an dieser Gemeinde gedient haben, — hinzu setzen — des hervorragendsten Pastors dieser Gemeinde, zu veranstalten. Daß er zu dieser hohen Ehrenstelle berechtigt ist, hat niemand völliger dargelegt, als der Pastor Emeritus dieser Gemeinde, der in seinem soeben erschienenen ausgezeichneten Werke, „Leben und Zeiten Heinrich Melchior Mühlenbergs," in diesem Jahre, gerade einhundert Jahre nach seinem Tode, einen schönen Kranz auf sein Grab legen wollte.

Ich heiße Sie darum in dieser Stadt und Gemeinde, in welcher diese Synode geboren wurde, herzlich willkommen, mit dem Gebete, der Hirte und Bischof unserer Seelen wolle unsere Berathungen segnen, und uns schenken den Geist des Mannes, der vor einhundert Jahren sein Werk vollendete, und dem diese Gemeinde, und dieses Ministerium, so viel zu verdanken haben.

Gestorben.

Nach altem Gebrauch, redet des Präsidenten Bericht, gleich nach der Einleitung, von denen, — wenn solche Fälle vorgekommen sind, die im Laufe des

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Synodaljahres in die ewige Ruhe eingegangen sind. Obwohl nun unser Körper ein so großer ist, ist doch nur ein einziger von unsern Amtsbrüdern im Laufe des verflossenen Jahres gestorben.

Am 11. Oct. 1886, benachrichtigte mich der Ehrw. J. F. Bayer, von Mahanoy, daß er in Folge geschwächter Gesundheit seine Stelle Anfangs December verlassen würde. Er zog dann nach Philadelphia, Pa., wo er am 16. März, 1887, in einem Alter von 60 Jahren, 2 Monaten und 26 Tagen entschlief. Er wurde in Frankfort, nach einem Trauergottesdienst in der Immanuels-Kirche, Pastor M. Schimpf, beerdigt.

Er trat im Jahre 1862 in unsere Synode ein, und arbeitete mit großer Treue in einer Anzahl unserer Gemeinden. Da die dazu bestimmte Committee Näheres über sein Leben und Wirken ohne Zweifel mittheilen wird, so ist es nicht nöthig hier weiter darauf einzugehen.

Stellenwechsel und Installationen.

Am 28. Juni, 1886, wurde der Ehrw. U. J. Klingensmith als Pastor der St. Peters-Gemeinde, Pikeland, Chester Co., Pa. eingeführt.

Am 29. Juni gab Pastor Karl S. Kohler seine Stelle in Catasauqua auf.

Am 4. Juli wurde Pastor J. H. Umbenhen in der luth. Trinitatis-Kirche, Mount Joy, Lancaster Co., eingeführt.

Am 6. Juli theilte mir Pastor W. H. Kuntz mit, daß er seine Stelle in Schuylkill Haven, die er seit zwölf Jahren bedient hatte, aufgegeben habe, und im Begriff sei, den Reamstown Pfarrdistrikt anzutreten.

Am 11. Juli wurde der Ehrw. J. J. Klein als Pastor der New Hanover — der als „Falkner Schwamm" bekannten Gemeinde eingeführt.

An demselben Tage fand die Einführung des Herrn Pastor C. E. Sandt in der Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Freemansburg, statt.

Am 1. August wurde Pastor C. K. Drumheller als Pastor der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Danville, Pa., eingeführt.

An demselben Tage der Ehrw. C. H. Hemsath, Pastor der englischen Gnadenkirche, in Bethlehem, Pa.

Am 15. August wurde Pastor W. F. Schoener als Nachfolger des Ehrw. C. J. Cooper eingeführt.

An demselben Tage Pastor P. F. A. Glasow in der deutschen St. Johannis-Gemeinde, in Tamaqua, Pa.

Am 24. August nahm Pastor B. G. Welder einen Ruf von dem Reamstown Pfarrdistrict an, und wurde am 19. Dec. installirt.

Am 9. Dec. wurde der Ehrw. J. O. Schlenker als Pastor der Zions-Gemeinde, Tamaqua, eingeführt.

Am 21. Sept. resignirte Pastor J. F. Bayer, in Mahanoy, und zog nach Philadelphia.

Am 8. Oct. resignirte Pastor W. Rath an der sogenannten „Blauen" Kirche.

Am 21. Oct. theilte mir Pastor C. Horak mit, daß er sein Missionsfeld aufgegeben habe. Späterhin fand er ein gleichartiges Arbeitsfeld im Gebiete der deutschen Jowa-Synode.

Am 13. Nov. resignirte Pastor E. H. Smoll in Millersville, Lancaster Co., und wurde am 9. Januar 1887 in Schuylkill Haven eingeführt.

Am 19. Dec. wurde Pastor A. L. Yount in der englischen luth. Gemeinde in Williamsport, Pa., installirt.

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Am 20. Jan. 1887, gab Pastor D. M. Stettler seine Stelle in Beavertown auf, und nahm die zu Mahanoy an.

Am 13. Feb. installirte ich den Ehrw. F. F. Buermeyer als Pastor der kurz vorher organisirten englischen Epiphanias-Gemeinde, in Harlem, Stadt New York.

Am 2. März resignirte Pastor J. W. Mattern, an der St. Johannis-Gemeinde zu Stroudsburg, Pa.

Am 22. wurde Pastor E. W. Lazarus als Pastor J. W. Klingers Nachfolger in dem Mt. Bethel Pfarrdistrict erwählt, und am 15. Mai vom Präsident der 2ten Konferenz installirt.

Am. 17. April wurde Dr. D. M. Henkel als Pastor der englischen Trinitatis-Gemeinde zu Catasauqua eingeführt.

Am 8. Mai wurde Pastor Early, englischer Sercetär unseres Ministeriums, als Pastor des Millersville (Lancaster Co.) Pfarrbezirks eingeführt.

Entlassungen.

Folgende Brüder wurden entlassen:

Noch vor der Vertagung unserer letzten Synode zu Easton, Pastor E. C. J. Kräling, an das evang.-luth. Ministerium von New York.

Am 25. Juni 1886, Pastor Jerem. H. Ritter, an die Pittsburger Synode (General-Concil.)

Am 5. Juli Pastor T. O. Kistler, an die Synode von Virginien.

Am 29. Juli Pastor J. J. Foust, an die Pittsburger Synode.

Am 31. Juli Pastor W. H. Brown, an die Synode von Nord-Carolina.

Am 6. August Pastor Johann Shunk, an die Pittsburger Synode.

Am 17. August Pastor J. E. Berly an die Synode von Süd-Carolina.

Am 30. August Pastor W. G. Hudson, an die Pittsburger Synode.

Am 30. August Pastor H. A. Trexler, an die Synode von Nord-Carolina.

Am 11. Sept. Pastor A. F. Walz, an das evang.-luth. Ministerium von New York.

Am 22. Sept. Pastor J. W. Smith, an die Synode von Virginien.

Am 25. Sept. ersuchte mich Pastor B. H. Hunt ihm eine ehrenvolle Entlassung an das Presbyterium von Kearney, Nebraska, zu geben. Ich sandte ihm das in solchen Fällen gebräuchliche Zeugniß.

Am 1. Oct. sandte ich auch ein solches an Pastor F. T. Hennicke, der sich der Maryland-Synode (zur General-Synode gehörend) anschließen wollte.

Am 23. April 1887, gab ich Pastor Carl Horak, der sich der deutschen Jowa-Synode anschließen wollte, eine ehrenvolle Entlassung.

Dasselbe geschah am 20. Mai mit Pastor Prof. G. W. Sandt, von Rock Island, Ill., der sich der Augustana-Synode anschließen will.

Ecksteinlegungen.

Am 18. Juli 1886, der der ev.-luth. Salemskirche, Bethlehem, Pa., Pastor Enoch Smith.

Am 1. August einer Kapelle der St. Johanniskirche (gemeinschaftlich) zu Fullerton, Pa. Pastor J. D. Schindel. Diese Kapelle hat eine Größe von 30x50 Fuß, und kostete ungefähr $3000. Sie wurde am 29. Mai (Pfingsten) eingeweiht.

Am 29. August, der luth. Zionskirche, Harrisburg, Pa., Pastor J. G. Abele.

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Am 7. November, der englisch luth. heil. Dreieinigkeitskirche, Scranton, Pa., Pastor M. L. Zweizig.

Am 21. November, der Christuskirche, Hazleton, Pa., Pastor E. A. Bauer.

Am 1. Mai 1887, der englisch luth. Epiphaniaskirche, in Camden, N. J., Pastor C. K. Binder.

Einweihung von Kirchen.

Am 1. Juli 1886, die (gemeinschaftliche) Trinitatiskirche, (30x48 Fuß) Pastor J. J. Kuntz.

Am 4. Juli, eine gemeinschaftliche Kapelle zu Schnecksville, Pa., Pastor J. S. Renninger.

An demselben Tage, eine gemeinschaftliche Kirche in Mountain Grove, Pastor J. J. Kuntz.

Am 5. September, die englische luth. Gnadenkirche, West Norristown, Pa., Pastor R. D. Röder.

Am 10. October, die luth. Zionskirche, Uniontown, Dauphin Co., Pa., Pastor W. H. Geiger. Da die gemeinschaftliche Kirche, in welcher die Lutheraner und Reformirten früher ihre Gottesdienste hielten, niederbrannte, beschlossen die Gemeinden, jede ihre eigene Kirche zu bauen.

Am 31. October, wurden die unteren Räume der neuen luth. Kirche zu Rehrersburg eingeweiht. Die Kirche selber sollte am 19. Mai dieses Jahres eingeweiht werden. Pastor A. J. Long.

Am 28. November, die gemeinschaftliche St. Paulskirche, zu Bowmansville, Lancaster Co., Pa., Pastor B. G. Welder.

Am 19. December, eine gemeinschaftliche Kirche zu Friedensburg, Oley, Berks Co., Pa., Pastor U. P. Heilman. Die Kirche hat Sitze für 600 Personen, und hat $10,000 gekostet, die auch einbezahlt sind.

Am 2. Januar 1887, die Wyomissing Kirche zu Gouglersville, Berks Co., Pa., Pastor Z. H. Gable.

Am 16. Januar, die unteren Räume der neuen Salems-Kirche zu Bethlehem, Pa., Pastor E. Smith.

An demselben Tage, die Christus-Kirche zu Elisabethtown, Lancaster Co., Pa., Pastor G. S. Seaman. Die Einweihung wurde erst dann vollzogen, als jeder Dollar, den der Bau kostete, abbezahlt war.

Am 16. Januar, die luth. St. Johannis-Kirche, in Williams Township, Pastor C. E. Sandt.

Am 13. Februar, die St. Lucas-Kirche, Reading, Pastor F. K. Huntzinger.

Am 1. Mai, die englische luth. Dreieinigkeits-Kapelle, Scranton, Pa., Pastor M. L. Zweizig.

Am 1. Mai, die englische luth. Epiphanias-Kapelle zu Camden, N. J., Pastor C. K. Binder.

Am 8. Mai, die luth. Trinitatis-Kirche, Bechtelsville, Berks Co., Pa., Pastor J. J. Kline.

Am 14. Mai schrieb Pastor A. P. Pflüger: „In Herndon hatten wir schon eine Zeitlang eine organisirte Gemeinde, aber keine Kirche. Gleich nach dem Anfang dieses Jahres vereinigte sich die Gemeinde mit der Reformirten, zum Ankauf einer Kirche, die früher den Methodisten gehörte, und gelangte dadurch in den Besitz einer Kirche, die nun zur Hälfte den Lutheranern gehört."

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Verschönerung von Kirchen.

Am 29. Mai wurde die Schalterskirche, Pastor T. T. Jäger, nachdem dieselbe bedeutend verschönert worden war, feierlich eröffnet.

Im August wurde, nach durchgehender Wiederherstellung, die luth. Kirche zu Minersville, Pastor G. F. W. Günsch, wieder eingeweiht.

Am 26. September wurde die englische ev.-luth. Dreieinigkeitskirche in New York, in welcher bedeutende Veränderungen gemacht worden sind, wieder eröffnet.

Am 7. November geschah dasselbe mit der „Jordan" Kirche, Pastor F. K. Berndt.

Am 12. December wurde die gemeinschaftliche Christus-Kirche, Pastor W. J. Bieber, nach bedeutenden Verbesserungen, wozu ein neuer Thurm nebst Glocke zu rechnen ist, wieder eröffnet.

Am 2. Januar 1887 wurde die deutsche luth. Zionskirche in Scranton, Pa., Pastor P. F. Zizelmann, feierlich wieder eingeweiht. Die Wiederherstellung hat $5000 gekostet.

Ein ähnliches Fest feierte am 6. März, die deutsche luth. St. Peters-Kirche in Allentown, Pastor G. F. Gardner. Nicht nur wurde die Kirche verschönert, sondern erhielt auch einen neuen, aus Backsteinen erbauten Thurm.

Am 15. Mai wurde die englische luth. St. Stephans-Kirche in West Philadelphia, Pastor W. A. Schäffer, nachdem sie, mit einem Kostenaufwand von über $6100 vergrößert und verschönert worden war, aufs neue für Gottesdienstliche Zwecke eingeweiht.

Special-Feste.

Am 19. September feierte die Concordia Gemeinde zu Chestnut Hill, Lancaster Co., Pa., Pastor J. A. Darmstätter, das fünfundzwanzigste Jahresfest ihrer Kirchweihe.

Am 9. und 10. October wurde das hundertjährige Jubiläum der Christus-Kirche, noch besser bekannt, als die „alte Tulpehocken Kirche", gefeiert, an welchem sich die Bewohner des ganzen Lebanon Thales mit großem Interesse betheiligten.

Pastor H. N. Fegley berichtet, daß es in diesem Jahre gerade einhundert Jahre sind, seit die ersten lutherischen Gemeinden im östlichen Theile des Cumberland Thales gegründet wurden. Aus jener Zeit stammt seine St. Johannis-Gemeinde, nahe bei Shiremanstown, weßwegen sie auch am heil. Osterfeste zur Erinnerung an jene Zeit einen Festgottesdienst veranstaltete, bei welchem ein Dankopfer zum Besten unseres Seminars auf den Altar gelegt wurde.

Neue Gemeinden.

Am 27. October 1886 wurde in Bechtelsville, Berks Co., Pa., eine lutherische Gemeinde organisirt, die bald nachher den Grundstein einer neuen Kirche legte, und nachher auch von der dritten Konferenz in die Gliedschaft dieses Körpers aufgenommen wurde. Dieselbe ist demgemäß zur Repräsentation berechtigt.

Im November 1886 organisirte hier in Philadelphia Herr Pastor J. Heck, ein Glied unserer Synode, die deutsche ev.-luth. „Kreuz-Gemeinde", in deren Auftrag er auch am 22. März den ersten Spatenstich zu einem Gotteshaus feierlich vollzog.

Am 15. April 1887 organisirten die Pastoren Dr. Jacob Fry und L. J.

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Bickel eine Gemeinde in der „Hope" Kapelle, und am 22. desselben Monats eine in der „Faith" Kapelle in Reading. In diesen, von der Trinitatis Gemeinde erbauten Kapellen, hatte Pastor Bickel diese Gemeinden gesammelt, und ist nun auch einmüthig als ihr Pastor erwählt worden.

Pastor D. K. Kepner hat mich benachrichtigt, daß die Constitution, welche die deutsche Gemeinde in Woodbury, N. J., (Pastor Warnke) nach dem letztjährigen Beschluß unserer Synode, der ersten Conferenz oder dem Präsidenten derselben zur Prüfung vorlegen sollte, in Uebereinstimmung mit der, von dieser Synode empfohlenen, erfunden worden sei. Da solches der Fall ist, ist diese Gemeinde berechtigt, in diesem Körper vertreten zu sein.

Das Eigenthum zu Mt. Airy.

Auf unserer Versammlung in Easton, 1886, hat dieser Körper beschlossen, das „Mount Airy Eigenthum" für die Summe von fünfunddreißig Tausend Dollars ($35,000) zu kaufen, und beauftragte und ermächtigte den Präsidenten, den Schatzmeister und die Secretäre desselben, alle nöthigen Schritte im Namen dieser Corporation zu thun, um derselben einen guten, klaren Besitztitel auf dieses Eigenthum zu sichern. Ebenso wurden die genannten Beamten ermächtigt, Bonds oder Schuldscheine besagter Corporation auszustellen im Betrage von dreißig Tausend Dollars ($30,000) in solchen Beträgen, wie sie es für passend finden, oder es von den Personen oder Corporationen, welche dieselben kaufen, verlangt wird. Und, um die Bezahlung besagter Bonds oder Schuldscheine zu sichern, sind die genannten Beamten ermächtigt, einen Pfandbrief auszustellen. (Siehe deutsche Verhandlungen der Synode von Easton, 1886, Seiten 34, 35, 36.)

In Folge gewisser Hindernisse, die sich im Verlaufe der Unterhandlungen zeigten, und deren Beseitigung die größte Vorsicht von Seiten des Herrn Wm. H. Staake, und des Agenten unseres Seminars, Pastor R. Hill, erforderte, war ich erst am 14. August im Stande, das Document zu unterzeichnen, in welchem wir versprachen, das bezeichnete Eigenthum zu kaufen.

Am 21. desselben Monats theilte mir Herr Staake mit, daß dieses Document auch von Herrn Franklin B. Gowen unterzeichnet worden, und daß die erste Zahlung, $5000, gemacht worden sei.

Am 29. September kamen die Beamten dieses Ministeriums in Herrn Staakes Office zusammen und unterzeichneten und besiegelten die Mortgage und sechszig (60) Bonds, je für $500, in Gegenwart von Herrn Staake, Herrn Lansdale (der die Eigenthümer des Gowen Grundstücks vertrat,) Pastor R. Hill und Herrn Knowles, und somit wurde das beschriebene Grundstück das Eigenthum dieses Ministeriums.

Die letztjährige Synode beauftragte und ermächtigte uns auch, die an der 53. Straße gelegenen Grundstücke zum Verkauf anzubieten, und zu verkaufen. Bis jetzt hat sich aber noch keine Gelegenheit geboten, dieselben zu verkaufen.

Das Circular.

Auf der letzten Synode wurde unsere Executiv-Committee beauftragt, die Vertheilung der, für die neuen Seminargebäude auf dem Mount Airy Grundstück nöthigen und aufzubringenden Summe, mit bestem Wissen und Gewissen, unter unsern Gemeinden vorzunehmen, und dem Präsidenten wurde es zur Pflicht gemacht, in einem officiellen Circular, addressirt an jeden Pastor, die Summe, die von der Synode seiner Gemeinde aufzubringen zuertheilt ist, bekannt zu machen.

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Die Executiv-Committee versammelte sich in Reading, am 6. Juli, und entledigte sich ihres Auftrages, und etliche Tage nachher hatte ich das Circular fertig. Jedoch, die schon berührten Hindernisse schienen es denen, die mit dem Ankauf zu thun hatten, rathsam zu machen, das Circular zurückzuhalten, bis der Kauf wirklich vollzogen war. Sobald dieses geschehen war, ließ ich dasselbe in deutscher und englischer Sprache drucken, und am 11. September waren schon alle abgesandt. Ich bin Pastor F. J. F. Schantz, dem englischen Sekretär der Executiv-Committee, zum besonderen Dank verpflichtet, weil er die Güte hatte, die bestimmten Summen in die Circulare zu setzen, und die Circulare durch die Post zu versenden.

Die neuen Gebäude für das Seminar.

Obwohl diese Angelegenheit im Berichte der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars, sowie in dem des Agenten, Pastor R. Hill, zur Sprache kommen wird, würde es Sie doch befremden, wenn ich dieselbe in diesem Berichte übergehen würde. Wohl ist es mir unmöglich etwas Neues in der Sache zu sagen, oder auch nur was schon früher auf dem Floor der Synode ausgesprochen worden ist, mit derselben Kraft und demselben Nachdruck zu wiederholen. Obwohl wir dasjenige, das wir zu erreichen beabsichtigten und hofften, noch nicht erreicht haben, und wir Ursache haben, uns zu demüthigen, dieweil noch so viel ungethan geblieben ist, so müssen wir doch nicht vergessen, — mit Dank zu bedenken, daß Fortschritte gemacht worden sind, und daß viele Prediger und Gemeinden sich ernstlich bemüht haben, den von ihnen erwarteten Beitrag zusammenzubringen, und daß man immer noch fest entschlossen ist, sobald als möglich solche Gebäude zu errichten, die unseren Bedürfnissen entsprechen werden.

Die uns auferlegte Aufgabe kommt vom Herrn. Er hat uns mehr Studenten und Bücher zugesandt, als wir in dem alten Seminar-Gebäude in der Franklin Straße unterbringen können. Seine barmherzige Vaterhand hat das Leben und die Gesundheit der jungen Männer bewahrt, die durch den guten Ruf unseres Seminars angezogen, sich willig erwiesen haben, manches Unangenehme und Beschwerliche, das die Kirche ihnen nicht zumuthen sollte, zu ertragen. Niemand kann es leugnen, daß unser Seminar allen Theilen unserer Kirche große Dienste geleistet hat, — wenn nun aber dasselbe diese hohe Stellung auch in Zukunft behalten, und ein noch größerer Segen für unsere Kirche werden soll, so ist die schleunige Errichtung solcher Gebäude, die den Bedürfnissen der Professoren, Studenten und der Bibliothek, entsprechen werden, eine Sache von solcher Bedeutung, daß ihr die Synode kaum zu viel Zeit und Aufmerksamkeit schenken kann.

Das wird gewiß ein Tag der Freude sein, an dem die Professoren und Schüler, nebst den Werkzeugen, mit denen sie ihre Arbeit verrichten, in dem neuen Gebäude untergebracht sind, und es uns gelungen ist, über unser Grundeigenthum an der 53ten Straße, sowie über das jetzige Seminar in der Nähe dieser Kirche auf eine befriedigende Weise zu verfügen.

Pastor J. W. Klingler.

Während der Specialversammlung unserer Synode, im letzten Januar (1887) benachrichtigten mich der Präsident und etliche Glieder der zweiten Districtsconferenz, daß „das öffentliche Gerücht" Pastor J. W. Klingler „eine bestimmte Sünde zur Last" lege, und daß dieses Gerücht — „weitverbreitet, nicht vorübergehend, sondern an Stärke" zunehme, „und mit starken Muthma-

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ßungen von Schuld begleitet" sei. Da sie mich um Rath baten, rieth ich ihnen, sofort die Sache ernstlich zu untersuchen, und die von der Synodalconstitution vorgeschriebenen Schritte zu thun.

Am 2. Februar berichteten die Pastoren E. Smith und S. A. Ziegenfuß über die von ihnen vorgenommene vorläufige Untersuchung, und fragten, welche weiteren Schritte zu nehmen seien. Ich forderte den Präsidenten der Conferenz auf, eine Specialversammlung derselben zu berufen, und den angeklagten Bruder, so wie die zu erreichenden Zeugen, der Ordnung gemäß einzuladen.

Dieses geschah, und am 16. März sandte mir Pastor E. Smith einen Bericht über die Verhandlungen dieser Specialversammlung, aus welchem hervorging, daß dieselbe nach einer eingehenden Untersuchung, zu welcher P. J. W. Klingler eingeladen wurde (obwohl derselbe nicht erschien, und sein Schreiben, in welchem er die Gründe seines Nichterscheinens angab, erst nach der Vertagung der Specialconferenz in die Hände des Präsidenten derselben gelangte), denselben für schuldig erklärt hatte, und dem Präsidenten dieses Ministeriums empfahl, Pastor J. W. Klingler bis zu der jetzigen Synodalversammlung zu suspendiren.

Ich sandte diesen Bericht sofort an die übrigen Beamten des Ministeriums, und am 22. März erhielt ich denselben wieder mit ihrer Erklärung, daß sie mit der Empfehlung der zweiten Conferenz einverstanden seien. Noch an demselben Tage benachrichtigte ich Pastor J. W. Klingler (durch Pastor E. Smith), daß er von der Zeit an suspendirt sei, so wie auch den Präsidenten der zweiten Conferenz, und die deutschen und die englischen Kirchenblätter, die innerhalb unserer Synode herausgegeben werden.

Die ganze Angelegenheit wird hiermit in die Hände dieses Ministeriums gelegt.

Das deutsche Hospital und das Mutterhaus für Diaconissen.

Schon früher wurde die Aufmerksamkeit dieses Körpers auf das deutsche Hospital in Philadelphia, und die in demselben arbeitenden Diaconissen gelenkt. Da nach dem Charter dieser Anstalt „drei Pastoren des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien im Verwaltungsrath des Hospitals sein müssen, so ist es wohl ganz in der Ordnung, wenn ich in diesem Berichte diese Anstalt berühre, insbesondere auch wegen dem neuen, damit verbundenen Werke.

Der Präsident und großmüthige Wohlthäter des deutschen Hospitals, Herr J. D. Lankenau, der sich entschlossen hatte, zum Gedächtniß seiner geliebten Gattin, eine Heimstätte für altersschwache Deutsche zu gründen, unter dem Namen „Mary J. Drexel Home," kam nachher auf den Gedanken, eine eigentliche Diaconissen-Anstalt mit derselben zu verbinden. „Er entschied sich nach reiflicher Ueberlegung dafür, daß das Mary J. Drexel Home und das Diaconissen-Mutterhaus nicht bloß architectonisch in einem stattlichen Bau vereinigt, sondern auch unter eine Verwaltung gestellt werden sollten. Für dieselbe sollte ein besonderes Directorium als selbständige Corporation, geschaffen werden, in welchem der Verwaltungsrath des Deutschen Hospitals durch drei Glieder repräsentirt sein soll." Dieser Plan wurde angenommen und der Charter demgemäß verändert. Dieses Mutterhaus soll „mit der lutherischen Kirche in organischer Verbindung stehen."

Es war wahrscheinlich in Folge dieser Verbindung unserer Synode mit dem Deutschen Hospital, daß der Präsident derselben eingeladen wurde, bei Gelegenheit der Ecksteinlegung des Mary J. Drexel Home und Philadel-

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phia Mutterhaus für Diaconissen, am 11. November 1886, eine englische Rede zu halten. Nach einem Gebet von Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann, einer deutschen Rede von Prof. Dr. A. Späth, und der schon erwähnten englischen, verlas der verehrte deutsche Consul, Herr Chas. H. Meyer, die Liste der Documente, die in den Eckstein gelegt wurden, und dann wurde von Herrn Lankenau der Eckstein feierlich im Namen des Dreieinigen Gottes gelegt. Hierauf folgte eine deutsche Ansprache von Herrn J. C. File, dem Präsidenten der Deutschen Gesellschaft, und eine in englischer Sprache, von Herrn Joseph Patterson, einem intimen Freunde des Herrn Lankenau.

Das Gebäude liegt mit der Front-Facade nach der Girard Avenue, und ist 250 Fuß lang, und daran schließen sich im rechten Winkel zwei Flügel von 200 Fuß Tiefe, so daß diese fast zur Poplar Straße zurücklaufen. Die Breite des Mittelbaues und der Flügel ist 60 Fuß. Das Gebäude soll drei Stockwerke hoch werden. Der östliche Flügel wird als Diaconissen-Anstalt benutzt werden mit Raum für etwa 100 Schwestern. Sie werden zugleich als Pflegerinnen des Kinder-Hospitals fungiren, welches im ersten Stock des westlichen Flügels eingerichtet wird, und in welchem in vier Sälen (Wards) etwa 60 Kinder behandelt werden sollen. Die beiden oberen Stockwerke des westlichen Flügels enthalten Räumlichkeiten für die alten Leute, und ist genügender Raum vorhanden, um 100 bis 120 Personen aufzunehmen. Im Centrum der vorderen Facade liegt die Kapelle, die 40x42 Fuß groß sein wird, und zu beiden Seiten derselben liegen 40x22 Fuß große Versammlungs-Räume, welche so eingerichtet sind, daß sie mit jener in einen Raum vereinigt werden können für größere Versammlungen bei besonderen Gelegenheiten.

Hier also, in einem großen und stattlichen Gebäude, von einem einzigen großmüthigen Manne errichtet, sollen zusammengebracht werden eine Heimstätte für Altersschwache, ein Kinder-Hospital und ein Mutterhaus für Diaconissen, in welchem diese Schwestern für ihre Arbeit herangebildet werden und in welcher sie zuletzt nach treuer Arbeit eine Heimat und Ruhestätte finden mögen, und diese ganze Anstalt soll nach den Grundsätzen und dem Geiste unseres Ministeriums geleitet werden.

Obwohl ein Pamphlet erschienen ist, das eine ausführliche Darlegung der Geschichte und des Planes dieser Anstalt, sowie eine Ansicht der Front-Facade und ein treffliches Portrait des Gründers enthält, so glaubte ich doch, daß es passend sein würde, die Hauptpunkte, die ich dieser Schrift entnommen habe, in diesem meinem Berichte vorzulegen.

Das hundertjährige Jubiläum des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von New York.

Auf unserer letztjährigen Versammlung gefiel es Ihnen, mich zum Delegaten an das evang.-luth. Ministerium von New York zu ernennen, mit dem besonderen Auftrag, „zu dessen hundertjähriger Festfeier die Glück- und Segenswünsche unserer Synode zu überbringen." Da ich dieses gethan habe, schien es mir geeigneter, meinen Bericht hier einzuschalten, als denselben in gewöhnlicher Weise vorzulegen.

Das genannte Ehrw. Ministerium begann seine jährliche Versammlung am 24. Juni 1886, in der St. Petri-Kirche, New York, Pastor Dr. E. F. Moldehnke. Ich benutzte die erste Gelegenheit, um die Glück- und Segenswünsche unserer Synode auszusprechen, und wurde auf's freundlichste empfangen. Die besonderen Feierlichkeiten, zum Gedächtniß des hundertjährigen Bestandes des Ministeriums fanden in der großen Halle des christlichen Jungen

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Männer-Vereins statt, und zwar am Sonntag-Nachmittag für die Kinder, und Abends für die erwachsenen Glieder der mit dem Ministerium verbundenen Gemeinden. Eine erhebende Kirchenmusik, belehrende und begeisterte Vorträge, und großartige Versammlungen machten den Festtag einen solchen, der nie aus dem Gedächtniß der Theilnehmenden verschwinden wird.

Am Schlusse dieses ersten Jahrhunderts seiner Existenz hat das New Yorker Ministerium große Ursachen, dem Herrn zu danken, daß Er es durch so viele Stürme geführt, ihm in der gegenwärtigen Zeit solche Stärke und Festigkeit geschenkt, und ihm die Aussicht noch besserer und größerer Dinge in der Zukunft gegeben hat.

Da das New Yorker Ministerium mit uns im General-Concil und in der Arbeit unseres Theologischen Seminars verbunden ist, so ist zu erwarten, daß die Muttersynode ein tiefes Interesse an dem Wohlergehen dieser Synode nehmen wird. Mögen die Bande der brüderlichen Liebe, welche diese beiden Synoden schon ein Jahrhundert umschlungen haben, nie gelöst werden!

Die Extra-Versammlung.

Auf unserer letzten Versammlung, anno 1886, wurde beschlossen, daß eine Extra-Versammlung dieses Ministeriums in der Kirche der Heiligen Communion (Dr. J. A. Seiß, Pastor) in Philadelphia im Monat Januar, zu einer von den Beamten der Synode zu bestimmenden Zeit, gehalten werden sollte. Da Niemand den Auftrag erhalten hat, über diese Versammlung zu berichten, so erlaube ich mir, dieses an dieser Stelle zu thun.

Diese Versammlung währte vom 10.—12. Januar 1887, und es wurden an jedem Tage drei Sitzungen gehalten. Es wurde beschlossen, die Versammlung als eine vertagte und somit als eine Fortsetzung der Versammlung in Easton, anstatt als eine Special-Versammlung anzusehen, und sie ist im Protocoll mit diesem Namen bezeichnet. Die Secretäre sind bereit, über die Verhandlungen und die Namen der anwesenden Prediger und Delegaten zu berichten.

Da der Hauptgegenstand der Versammlung die Erwägung und Annahme der vorliegenden revidirten Constitution war, wurde dieselbe Punkt für Punkt vorgenommen, sorgfältig erwogen, in nötigen Stücken verbessert und zuletzt als Ganzes approbirt. Schließlich wurde beschlossen, der diesjährigen regelmäßigen Versammlung unseres Ministeriums diese Constitution zur Annahme zu empfehlen. Es liegt an Ihnen zu bestimmen, zu welcher Stunde die von der Extra-Versammlung kommende Empfehlung vorgenommen werden soll.

Verschiedenes.

Auf der soeben besprochenen Extra-Versammlung sprach der Präsident der ehrsamen Corporation dieser Gemeinde die Hoffnung aus, daß dieselbe die Synode einladen würde, die gegenwärtige Versammlung hier zu halten. Am 20. Januar erhielt ich die officielle Einladung von dem Secretär der Corporation, und da ich mich schon mit meinen Amtscollegen besprochen hatte, nahm ich dieselbe noch an demselben Tage dankbar an.

Die Einkünfte des Streit'schen und des Rödelsheimischen Legates kamen zur rechten Zeit in meine Hände und wurden auf die vom Ministerium vorgeschriebene Weise vertheilt, wie das aus den hiermit vorgelegten Rechnungen des Präsidenten zu ersehen ist.

Während unserer Synodalversammlung in Easton 1886 habe ich im dortigen Courthouse "Satisfaction of record" in Bezug auf die in meinem letzten

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Jahresbericht erwähnte mortgage (von $1500) auf einem in Bethlehem, Pa., liegenden Eigenthum gegeben.

Am 29. September 1886 that ich dasselbe in Philadelphia in Betreff folgender mortgages: Joseph Powell, $1800; die ev.-luth. St. Marcus-Kirche in Philadelphia, $5000; Jakob Royal, $2250; Frank C. Benjamin, $1250; die St. Marcus-Kirche, $3750; und am 11. Januar 1887 die mortgage des James H. Lyons, $3000.

Bei dieser Gelegenheit wird es wohl am Platze sein, das Ministerium daran zu erinnern, daß auf der schon erwähnten Extra-Versammlung, im Januar 1887, der Schatzmeister des Ministeriums Vollmacht erhielt, in Zukunft die Abbezahlung solcher mortgage nach gesetzlicher Ordnung durch seine Namensunterschrift zu bezeugen, und ich wurde zu gleicher Zeit beauftragt, ihm ein in gehöriger Weise ausgefertigtes Zeugniß auszustellen, um vor der betreffenden Behörde zu beweisen, daß er also autorisirt ist. Ich sandte ihm diese Schrift am 18. Januar 1887. Am 24. November 1886 benachrichtigte mich Pastor J. C. Kunzmann, ein Glied der Pittsburg-Synode, daß es nötig sei, im Interesse der Zions-Gemeinde, Hempfield Township, Westmoreland Co., Pa., das alte Protocollbuch unserer Synode dem betreffenden weltlichen Gerichte vorzulegen, und ersuchte mich, den englischen Secretär unseres Körpers, Pastor J. W. Early, zu beauftragen, dieses Buch aus dem Archiv zu nehmen und dem Gericht vorzulegen.

Nachdem ich mich mit Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann, dem Archivarius der Synode, besprochen hatte, ersuchte ich Pastor J. W. Early diese Aufgabe zu übernehmen und gab ihm eine Anweisung an den Archivarius, in welcher derselbe ersucht wurde, ihm das alte Protocollbuch für diesen gerichtlichen Zweck einzuhändigen. Da ich voraussetzte, daß das Gericht das Recht hatte, die Vorlegung dieses Buches zu verlangen, schien mir der Secretär die geeignetste Person zu sein, dieses Buch dem Gerichte vorzulegen und dann wieder in das Archiv niederzulegen.

Am 7. October ersuchte mich Karl C. Boyer, Professor des Lateinischen und Griechischen in der Keystone Normal School, Kutztown, Pa., ihm die Erlaubniß zu ertheilen, die vor einem Jahre in unserem Seminar begonnenen theologischen Studien privatim unter der Leitung des Herrn Prof. Hancher in Kutztown fortzusetzen. Ich wandte mich an die Ehrw. Facultät des Seminars und da dieselbe zustimmte, gab ich die erbetene Erlaubniß und ersuchte zu gleicher Zeit Prof. Hancher, dem Präsidenten dieses Ministeriums zu bestimmten Zeiten zu berichten, welches er auch freundlichst versprach.

Die Namen und Papiere aller Applicanten um Aufnahme in diesen Körper habe ich der Examinations-Committee vorgelegt und die Herren Applicanten habe ich eingeladen, zur festgesetzten Zeit und an Ort und Stelle vor der Committee zu erscheinen.

Da die Delegaten, die diese Synode auf dem in Chicago, 1886, versammelten General-Concil vertreten haben, ihren Bericht vorlegen werden, brauche ich hier nichts von den Verhandlungen zu erwähnen.

Indem die Brüder, die mit der Verwaltung des Mühlenberg-Collegiums und unserer Anstalten in Germantown, Pa., besonders betraut sind, eingehende Berichte vorlegen werden, so wird es hinlänglich sein, wenn ich hier einfach unsere Befriedigung über die erfreulichen Fortschritte, die diese Anstalten im verflossenen Jahre gemacht haben, ausspreche.

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Schluß.

Obwohl es zu den Rechten und Pflichten des Präsidenten gehört, nach erstattetem Bericht über seine im Laufe des Jahres verrichteten Amtsgeschäfte und über alle wichtigen Vorfälle der Synode auch noch Maßregeln zur Erwägung zu empfehlen, die geeignet sind, das Wohl der Kirche zu befördern und wohl manches vorgelegt werden könnte, das unserer ernstlichen Erwägung werth wäre, so habe ich mich dennoch entschlossen, nichts derartiges zu erwähnen, weil ich überzeugt bin, daß die ganze Synode mit mir darin übereinstimmen wird, daß das was schon vorliegt, insbesondere die neue Constitution und das neue Seminar, sowie andere überaus wichtige Gegenstände, die ganze Zeit und die volle Kraft der Synode in Anspruch nehmen werden.

Lasset uns darum an die uns vorliegende Arbeit gehen, mit dem Gebet: „Der Herr, unser Gott, sei uns freundlich und fördere das Werk unserer Hände bei uns, ja das Werk unserer Hände wolle er fördern!" Amen.

Am 2. Juni 1887.

G. F, Krotel.

Dieser Bericht wurde entgegengenommen, um einer Committee übergeben zu werden. — Sodann schritt die Synode zur Beamtenwahl, mit folgenden Wahlauffehern: Pastoren: Z. H. Gable, J. M. Anspach, J. C. Dizinger, E. L. Reed, P. Isenschmid, M. D., und den Laiendelegaten: A. W. Potteiger, Peter Woll und A. Holz.

Auf Antrag von Herrn Dr. Seiß, wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Berathung der neuen Synodal-Ordnung Freitag Morgen sogleich nach der Eröffnung an die Tagesordnung kommen soll.

Der Ehrw. Präsident verlas einen Brief von Herrn J. D. Lankenau, dem Präsidenten des Deutschen Hospitals in dieser Stadt, in welchem die Synode eingeladen wurde, dieser Anstalt einen Besuch abzustatten. Die Einladung wurde angenommen und Samstag 4 Uhr Nachmittag als Zeit des Besuches bestimmt.

Der Ehrw. Dr. W. J. Mann verlas nun den

Bericht des Archivarius.

Hochwürdiger Herr Präsident!

Endesunterzeichneter erlaubt sich, Ihnen folgenden Bericht von dem Amtsjahre 1886—1887 ehrerbietigst vorzulegen.

Am 18. Juni vorigen Jahres wurden mir von Ehrw. Pastor J. W. Early, derzeit englischer Secretär der Synode, eine Anzahl von gedruckten Protocollen der synodalen Jahresversammlungen der Synode zugesandt. Durch diese freundliche Gabe wurde die Sammlung gedruckter Synodalprotocolle in unserm Archive vervollständigt.

Am 19. October sandte mir Ehrw. Pastor L. Lindenstruth, derzeit deutscher Secretär der Synode, ein Exemplar der im Jahre 1825 im Druck erschienenen Autobiographie Ezechiel Sangmeisters, der im vorigen Jahrhundert ein Glied der Ephrata Klostergesellschaft gewesen war. Dieses Buch enthält interessante Beiträge zu der Geschichte des innern Lebens des Ephrata-Klosters und ist sehr

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rar geworden, weil von einer gewissen Partei möglichst viele Exemplare aufgekauft und vernichtet wurden.

Am 16. November übergab mir Ehrw. Pastor F. J. F. Schantz sämmtliche Documente, welche für die Geschichte des durch Jahre sich hinziehenden, endlich zu Gunsten der conservativen Partei vom Gericht entschiedenen Streites in der Brickerville, Lancaster Co., Pa., Gemeinde, von Werth sind.

Am 11. Januar 1887 übergab mir Ehrw. Pastor J. W. Early, englischer Secretär der Synode, folgende Bücher und Manuscripte:

Das Protocollbuch der Versammlungen des Centennial-Committees des Ministeriums vom Jahre 1876.

Einen schriftlichen Abriß des Lebens und des Characters unseres in Gott ruhenden Mitbruders Ehrw. Dr. Eman. Greenwald, langjährigen Pastors der Trinitatis-Gemeinde zu Lancaster, Pa., und mehrmaliger Präsident des Evang.-Luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angr. Staaten. Dieser Abriß war bei der Beerdigung des Entschlafenen am 24. Dezember 1885 in der Trinitatis-Kirche zu Lancaster vom Verfasser, Ehrw. F. P. Mayser, Pastor der Zions-Gemeinde daselbst, vorgetragen worden.

Ebenfalls eine schriftliche Lebensskizze unseres am 5. August 1885 zur ewigen Ruhe eingegangenen Mitbruders, Ehrw. Jacob B. Rath, Pastors der Gemeinde zu Bethlehem, Pa., der mehrere Jahre hindurch der Synode als Schatzmeister gedient hatte.

Ebenfalls ein Exemplar der im Jahre 1868 im Druck erschienenen Ministerial- und Conferenz-Ordnung der Synode.

Am 15. Januar übergab mir Ehrw. Pastor F. P. Mayser, gewesener deutscher Secretär der Synode, den vollendeten sechsten Folioband der Verhandlungen dieses Ehrw. Körpers. Derselbe umfaßt die Jahre 1875 bis 1885 (einschließlich).

Am 20. Januar übergab mir der Ehrw. Dr. C. W. Schäffer, Präsident der Facultät des theologischen Seminars zu Philadelphia, einen goldenen Ring, welchen im Jahre 1849 eine Anzahl von Gliedern der Evang.-Luth. St. Michaelis- und Zions-Gemeinde zu Philadelphia von den damaligen Besitzern desselben angekauft und in die Hände des am 1. September 1863 zur ewigen Ruhe gekommenen Ehrw. Dr. C. R. Demme, Pastors der Gemeinde, war niedergelegt worden. Es sind dem Ringe Documente beigelegt, welche attestiren, daß dieser Ring im Besitze Dr. Martin Luthers gewesen ist.

Am 20. April 1887 sandte mir Ehrw. Pastor J. D. Schindel von Allentown außer einigen auf verschiedene Gegenstände (vom Jahre 1795 über die Augsburgische Confession, 1836 über die Nachkommen Luthers in Böhmen, ein Band der Exemplare des Christlichen Botschafters der Evangelischen Gemeinschaft vom November 1837 bis November 1843) bezüglichen Publicationen, ein gebundenes Manuscript von der Hand des Ehrw. Daniel Schumacher, der zwischen 1758 und 1770 an der Jerusalems-Kirche zu Salzburg (Salisbury) in Lehigh Co., Pa., diente, aber nie ein Glied der Synode gewesen ist. Dasselbe ist die mit reiner Hand geführte Nachschrift von an einer deutschen Universität gehaltenen Vorlesungen über alttestamentliche Archäologie.

Sämmtliche hier genannten Bücher, Manuscripte und Gegenstände wurden von mir im Archiv deponirt. Das Archiv selbst wird erst dann in gehörige Ordnung gebracht werden können, wenn ihm in dem zu hoffenden neuen Seminargebäude die entsprechende Localität wird angewiesen werden können.

Noch sei bemerkt, daß mir von den Verhandlungen der letzten Synodal-

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versammlung durchaus kein Document, kein Brief, überhaupt gar nichts zu archivarischer Aufbewahrung zugekommen ist mit Ausnahme des gedruckten Protocolls in deutscher und englischer Sprache.

Hochachtungsvoll

W. J. Mann,
Archivarius.

Philadelphia, 2. Juni 1887.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß der Archivar ermächtigt sei, zu irgend einer Zeit, nachdem er es nöthig findet, Bücher und Documente auf Kosten der Synode einbinden zu lassen.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas hierauf den

Bericht der Executiv-Committee.

Im verflossenen Jahre hielt die Executiv-Committee fünf Versammlungen, und zwar die erste in Easton, Pa., die zweite und dritte in Reading, Pa., die vierte in Philadelphia, Pa., und die fünfte in Reading, Pa.

I. Erziehung.

Achtunddreißig Studenten, welche sich auf das Predigtamt vorbereiten, wurden im letzten Jahr aus der Synodalkasse unterstützt, nämlich:

Im theologischen Seminar.

In der Seniorklasse: W. J. Fink, J. J. Heißler, W. D. C. Keiter, S. L. Keller, C. F. Krauß, H. J. Kuder, J. J. Reitz, G. J. Schäffer, S. G. Weiskotten (Letzterer nur bis December 1886) und W. F. Zuber.

In der Mittelklasse: J. Auerbach, J. A. Huffard, A. J. Lamerdin, R. B. Lynch, O. Reber, W. Weikfel, H. Weigand, J. H. Wyse und E. A. Yehl.

In der Juniorklasse: H. W. Elson, C. J. Jeffries, E. T. Kretschman, J. C. Park, N. T. Schmidt, J. H. Waidelich und H. W. Warmkessel.
Gesammtzahl 26.

Im Mühlenberg-Collegium.

In der Juniorklasse: W. F. Bond, C. D. Clauß, C. Fetter, G. Gerbert, J. F. Lambert und O. S. Scheirer.

In der Sophomoreklasse: J. B. Heil, P. Laury, F. C. Oberly und J. H. Raker.

In der Freshmanklasse: J. B. Ritter.
Gesammtzahl 11.

Im Thiel-Collegium.

In der Seniorklasse: P. J. Glatzert.
Gesammtzahl 1.

Die Unterstützung, welche von der Committee aus der Synodalkasse den obengenannten Studenten gewährt wurde, beträgt

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Nicht mit eingerechnet sind die von folgenden Gemeinden und Personen gestifteten Stipendien:

1. Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Reading, Pa.
2. Herrn W. A. Arnold, Reading, Pa.
3. Herrn S. H. Kutz, Reading, Pa.
4. St. Jakobus-Gemeinde, Reading, Pa.
5. Herrn Jakob Fegely, Pottstown, Pa.
6. Herrn G. H. Reinöhl, Lebanon, Pa.

Durch diese Stipendien wurden der Synode $300.00 erspart.

Die von den Facultäten des Seminars und der Collegien eingesandten Berichte über Fleiß und Betragen der stipendirten Studenten in den betreffenden Anstalten wurden sorgfältig geprüft und wo ein Einschreiten nöthig war, ist es sofort geschehen.

Bei ihrer ersten Versammlung wurde die Committee von Herrn G. D. Gerberich, Student im Mühlenberg-Collegium, brieflich ersucht, seinen Namen von der Liste der Benefizianten zu streichen, da er der weiteren Unterstützung nicht mehr bedürfe.

Bei der Versammlung im April bat ein Student des theologischen Seminars die Committee, ihm zu erlauben, während des letzten Termins des gegenwärtigen Schuljahres abwesend zu sein, um es ihm zu ermöglichen, die Leitung einer Privat-Schule zu übernehmen. Nach sorgfältiger und eingehender Erwägung des Gesuchs, beschloß die Committee, daß sie in Bezug auf das vorliegende Gesuch nicht im Stande ist, von den bestehenden Regeln abzuweichen.

Dem Mühlenberg-Collegium verwilligte die Committee während des Jahres, gemäß eines Synodalbeschlusses, eine Unterstützung aus der Kasse der Synode von $1000.00.

Für laufende Ausgaben im theologischen Seminar wurden am 22. Juni 1886 $50.00 und am 12. April 1887 $500.00 verwilligt.

Die Central-Committee für die Prüfung und Zulassung der Studenten bestand aus Folgenden:

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz,
" B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,
" J. Fry, D. D.,

Die Zahl der Applicanten war nicht so groß als in früheren Jahren.

Die stehende Committee für Wiedererlangung der Unterstützungsgelder an die Studenten ausbezahlt, welche durch einen am 6. April 1886 von der Executiv-Committee gefaßten Beschluß ins Leben gerufen wurde und über welche der Synode bei ihrer letzten jährlichen Versammlung berichtet und von derselben gutgeheißen wurde, bestand aus Folgenden:

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz,
" S. Laird, D. D.,
" D. H. Geissinger.

Bei der am 5. October 1886 abgehaltenen Versammlung der Executiv-Committee wurden folgende Punkte bezüglich der Rückzahlung der den Studenten vorgestreckten Gelder angenommen: Punkt 1. Der Schatzmeister soll über jeden einzelnen Beneficianten eine persönliche Rechnung führen. Punkt 2. Jährlich soll nach der ersten Versammlung der Executiv-Committee einem jeden Beneficianten, der wenigstens ein Jahr im Amt ist, ein Brief oder Circular zugesandt werden, in welchem er ersucht wird, an dem folgenden 1. October, oder vor demselben, entweder, je nachdem es ihm möglich ist, Zahlung zu leisten, oder

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einen Bericht einzuschicken, in welchem der Grund angegeben wird, warum zur genannten Zeit nichts abbezahlt werden kann. Punkt 3. Die im 2. Punkt verordneten Berichte sollen verwiesen werden an einen Unterausschuß (sub committee), bestehend aus dem Schatzmeister der Synode und dem Secretär der Executiv-Committee, welcher die für jeden Fall nöthigen Schritte empfehlen soll.

Bei der letztjährigen Synodal-Versammlung wurde die Executiv-Committee instruirt, die für das neue theologische Seminar geforderten $100,000.00 unter unsern verschiedenen Gemeinden und Parochien zu vertheilen, mit Anrechnung für jegliche Parochie dessen, was sie schon hiezu beigetragen hat.

Bei der am 22. Juni 1886 stattgehabten Versammlung der Executiv-Committee wurde Folgendes beschlossen bezüglich dieser Vertheilung:

1. Diese Vertheilung soll geschehen nach denselben Grundregeln, wie die der Committee für systematische Wohlthätigkeit unserer Synode.

2. Der Agent des theologischen Seminars soll ersucht werden, die Summen anzugeben, welche bis jetzt gesichert sind.

3. Der Ehrw. F. J. F. Schantz, der englische Secretär, soll angewiesen werden, ein Verzeichniß der auf die Gemeinden vertheilten $100,000 00 vorzulegen.

Bei der Versammlung der Executiv-Committee am 6. Juli 1886 entledigte sich der englische Secretär des ihm gewordenen Auftrags und legte seinen Bericht vor, welcher mit den von der Executiv-Committee gemachten Veränderungen angenommen wurde. Ein vollständiges Verzeichniß dieser Vertheilungen ist in den Verhandlungen der Executiv-Committee enthalten.

Nach dieser Versammlung theilte der Präsident des Ministeriums den Pastoren und ihren Gemeinden mit, welche Summe jeder Gemeinde zugetheilt worden sei, auch wurde dem Agenten des theologischen Seminars eine Liste der Vertheilungen zugestellt.

II. Einheimische Mission.

Im Laufe des verflossenen Jahres wurden 31 Missionen, im Verbande dieser Synode stehend, unterstützt. Davon stehen 20 unter der directen Aufsicht der Exekutiv-Committee, 6 unter der Aufsicht der deutschen Stadtmissionsbehörde, 5 unter der englischen. Die Missionen, welche unter der directen Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehen, sind folgende:

In der ersten Conferenz.

1. Riverside, N. J.—Pastor T. N. Ander. Diese Mission besteht aus den Gemeinden zu Hainesport, Riverside und New Germany. In Hainesport ist der Zuwachs an Gliedern gering. In Riverside zeigt sich erfreuliches Wachsthum an Gliederzahl wie an Theilnahme. Im Interesse unseres Glaubens und der Sprache der Glieder wurde ein Schulhaus gebaut, in welchem eine Tagschule, sowie eine Abendschule gehalten wird. New Germany wird regelmäßig versorgt und der Missionar spricht die Hoffnung aus, daß diese Stelle selbstständig werden wird. Dieser Mission wurde eine jährliche Unterstützung von $250.00 verwilligt.

2. Millville, N. J.—Pastor A. N. J. Gräpp. Die Mission besteht aus zwei Gemeinden, die eine in Millville und die andere in Vineland, N. J. In Millville wird jeden Sonntag deutscher Gottesdienst und jeden andern Sonntag englischer Gottesdienst gehalten. Gottesdienst und Sonntagschule werden gut besucht. Die Sonntagschule zählt über 110 Kinder. Die Gemeinde nimmt regen Antheil am Werk der Wohlthätigkeit. Vineland wurde regelmäßig besucht und mit Wort und Sakrament versorgt. Die Mission bat freiwillig um Ver-

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ringerung der Unterstützung. Die Unterstützung für das letzte Jahr betrug $150.00, anstatt $200.00, wie im vorhergehenden.

3. Woodbury, N. J.—Pastor B. H. Warnke. Diese Missions-Gemeinde war früher presbyterianisch. Die Gemeinde hat die bei der letzten Versammlung der Synode ihr gestellten Bedingungen zur Aufnahme erfüllt. Der Pastor hatte im letzten Jahr manche Prüfung zu erdulden. Die Aussichten dieser Mission gestalten sich günstiger. Der Missionar sorgt auch für Gloucester, N. J. Die Unterstützung beträgt $225.00.

4. Doylestown, Pa.—Pastor E. L. Miller. Diese Mission zählt etwa 160 confirmirte Glieder. In den Gottesdiensten ist die deutsche wie auch die englische Sprache im Gebrauch. Der Missionar arbeitet mit aller Treue. Er hat mit mancherlei Schwierigkeiten zu kämpfen, die das Gedeihen der Mission erschweren, doch schreibt er hoffnungsvoll über seine Arbeit. Der Mission wurden $150.00 Unterstützung gewährt.

5. Norristown, Pa.—Pastor R. D. Röder. Die Mission besteht aus der Gnaden-Gemeinde. Sie zählt gegenwärtig 128 Glieder, gegen 102 im vorhergehenden Jahr. Die Sonntagschule hat 205 Schüler, nämlich 145 in der Hauptabtheilung und 60 in der Kleinkinderschule, nebst 23 Lehrern und Beamten. Der Schulbesuch ist gut. Die höchste Zahl des Schulbesuchs an einem Sonntag wurde am Palmsonntag erreicht, nämlich 161. Am 5. September 1886 hatten Pastor und Gemeinde die Freude, ihre Kirche einweihen zu können; dieselbe ist ein Steingebäude, 45x70 Fuß, mit einem Schieferdach und einer 5 Fuß tiefen Altarnische. Das Innere ist so eingerichtet, daß gegenwärtig Gottesdienst und Sonntagschule in demselben Gebäude gehalten werden können. Die Unterstützung betrug $200.00

Chester, Pa. Da diese Stelle keinen Pastor hat, wurde keine Verwilligung gemacht.

In der zweiten Conferenz.

1. Bangor, Pa.—Pastor B. F. Apple. Die Mission besteht aus der Trinitatis-Gemeinde. Der Pastor berichtet: „Seit meines Herzugs am 1. April 1883 nahm ich 46 durch Confirmation und 72 durch Scheine auf. Zusammen 118. Davon sind 21 weggezogen und 2 gestorben, somit ein Gewinn von 97. Es stehen 180 auf der Liste verzeichnet und fast alle Glieder gingen im vergangenen Jahr zum Abendmahl. Der Besuch der Sonntagschule ist sehr gut; am Palmsonntag waren 141 anwesend. Auch in finanzieller Hinsicht machen wir etwas Fortschritt. Dieses Frühjahr bezahlten wir $300.00 von unserer Kirchenschuld ab, nebst den Zinsen, so daß die Schuld jetzt nur noch $2000.00 beträgt. Vor Kurzem sammelten wir durch Unterschriften $1350.00, um den Haupttheil unserer Kirche zu vollenden und die Arbeit ist schon in Angriff genommen worden. Die Sonntagschule trug $200.00 zur Abtragung der Kirchenschuld bei. Unterstützung $200.00.

2. Catasauqua, Pa.—Pastor D. M. Henkel, D. D. Diese Mission besteht aus der englischen Trinity-Gemeinde. Der frühere Pastor resignirte zu Anfang des gegenwärtigen Synodaljahres. Seitdem wurde die Gemeinde von Pastoren der zweiten Conferenz versorgt. Vor Kurzem begann der gegenwärtige Pastor seine Arbeit in dieser Stelle und derselbe schreibt hoffnungsvoll über dieselbe. Diese Mission wird mit $200.00 das Jahr unterstützt.

3. Weatherly, Pa.—Pastor L. Smith. Die Mission besteht aus der

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Zions-Gemeinde. Sie zählt 130 Glieder, von welchen 120 communicirten. Die Gottesdienste werden in deutscher und englischer Sprache gehalten. Die Gemeinde hat 2 Sonntagschulen, jede zählt ungefähr 60 Schüler und 6 Lehrer. Die eine wird Vormittags, die andere Nachmittags gehalten. Der Missionar läßt sich auch das Wohl der lutherischen Kirche in Quakake, einem Ort sieben Meilen von Weatherly, angelegen sein. Es befinden sich hier 25 Communicanten; zu Ostern wurden 10 Personen confirmirt. Diese Stelle erhält das Jahr $100.00 Unterstützung.

4. Freeland, Pa.—Pastor J. H. Schmidt. Die Mission besteht aus vier Gemeinden in Luzerne Co., Eckley, Yeddo, Freeland und Ober-Lecha. Der Missionar hat treu gearbeitet. Die Gottesdienste wurden regelmäßig gehalten, mit Ausnahme eines einzigen, da der Missionar durch einen Fall sich verletzt hatte. Gottesdienste und Sonntagschulen wurden gut besucht. Die Einführung der englischen Sprache in einer Sonntagschule, in der bisher die deutsche allein gebraucht wurde, verursachte, daß die Zahl der Schüler von 40 bis 50 auf 115, die der Lehrer von 2 bis 3 auf 10 stieg. Dieser Gebrauch der englischen Sprache erleidet mit Unrecht von manchen Widerstand, weil sie die Nothwendigkeit des Gebrauchs der englischen Sprache in Verbindung mit der deutschen für das Wachsthum unserer lutherischen Kirche nicht verstehen. Die Unterstützung beträgt $150.00.

5. Die slavonische Mission in Luzerne Co.—Pastor Carl Horak. Die letzte Unterstützung wurde dieser Stelle im October 1886 verwilligt. Bei der Versammlung im Januar 1887 wurde berichtet, daß der Missionar resignirt habe und es wurde keine weitere Unterstützung gewährt. Pastor Horak hat einen Ruf an eine slavonische Gemeinde im Westen angenommen. Die im October 1886 verwilligte Unterstützung betrug $75.00 für 6 Monate.

6. Summit Hill.—Pastor A. C. Wuchter. Diese Mission umfaßt Summit Hill, Lansford und Hauto. Der Name der Gemeinde (die drei genannten Stellen bilden nur eine Gemeinde) ist evang.-luth. St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Summit Hill, Pa. Sie zählt zwischen 130 und 140 Glieder. Der Durchschnittsbesuch in der Sonntagschule ist ungefähr 80. Am Charfreitag wurden 13 confirmirt und 4 wurden durch Scheine aufgenommen. In Summit Hill wird jeden Sonntag Morgen und Abend Gottesdienst gehalten, in Hauto und Lansford am Nachmittag. Der Missionar schreibt, daß sich bei den Gliedern der Gemeinde mehr und mehr gesunder, kirchlicher Sinn zeigt. Doch ist noch manches Uebel, dessen Heilung Zeit erfordert, zu bekämpfen. Gar manche sollten sich der Gemeinde gliedlich anschließen. Es gibt hier viele der sogenannten bekannten „Kirchhofsglieder". Sie sind das eine Mal da, das andere Mal dort. Nothwendige Reparaturen an der Kirche und dem Grundstück wurden gemacht und sind noch zu machen, nachdem es die Mittel erlauben. Die jährliche Unterstützung beträgt $200.00.

7. St. Johannis-Kirche, Wilkesbarre, Pa.—Pastor L. H. Geschwind. Diese Mission hat in der Zeit ihres Bestehens schon mancherlei Erfahrungen gemacht. Trotzdem der Missionar mit vielen Schwierigkeiten zu kämpfen hat, schreibt er doch hoffnungsvoll über die Aussichten dieser Mission. Er berichtet einen Zuwachs am Palmsonntag von 20 durch Confirmation und 13 von andern Gemeinden; außer diesen schlossen sich im Laufe des Jahres etliche an, so daß die Gesammtzahl seit der letzten Versammlung der Synode ungefähr 40 beträgt. Auch die Sonntagschule macht Fortschritte. Der Pastor unterrichtet

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eine Bibelklasse von 25 Personen, auch versieht er das Amt des Sonntagschul-Superintendenten, er hofft jedoch einen andern für dieses Amt zu bekommen. Diese Mission erhielt $300 Unterstützung.

8. Scranton, Pa.—Trinitatis-Kirche, Pastor M. L. Zweizig. Im Bewußtsein, daß es unbedingt nothwendig sei, ein neues Gotteshaus zu bauen, legte die Gemeinde letzten September Hand ans Werk. Das Gebäude ist nun vollendet, und die zweite Conferenz hielt im Mai ihre Frühjahrsversammlung darin ab. Der Besuch des Gottesdienstes zu Ostern betrug 150 Personen, für welche die alte Kirche kaum Raum bot. Die Collekte an diesem Tage belief sich auf $115. Fünf Personen schlossen sich der Gemeinde an. Von 15—20 wurden zu Pfingsten aufgenommen, so daß sich die Gliederzahl, welche nach letztjährigem Bericht 100 betrug, bedeutend vermehrt hat. Die Zahl der Schüler in der Sonntagschule ist auf 100 gestiegen. Die Mission wurde im letzten Jahr mit $400 unterstützt.

9. Sand Cut, Pa., wurde von Pastoren der zweiten Conferenz versorgt, und da ein Pastor, der eine regelmäßige Parochie bedient, für diesen Missionsposten sorgen wird, so wurde in der letzten Zeit keine Unterstützung verwilligt.

In der dritten Conferenz.

1. St. Clair und Gilberton in Schuylkill Co., Pa.—Pastor W. C. L. Lauer von Frackville, Pa., war ernannt worden, an diesen Orten im Interesse der Lutherischen Kirche zu wirken. Er war eine Zeitlang in St. Clair thätig. Die dritte Conferenz ist ersucht worden, St. Clair unter ihre Aufsicht zu nehmen und diese Stelle zu versorgen. Auch wurde die Conferenz ersucht zu erwägen, welche Anordnungen für Gilberton getroffen werden könnten. Die Unterstützung für St. Clair betrug $50 das Jahr; für Gilberton $25 für 6 Monate.

2. Girardville, Pa.—Pastor W. M. Rehrig. Die Mission besteht aus der Ev.-Luth. Zionskirche daselbst. Die Mission erhielt früher Unterstützung aus der Synodalkasse. Auf Ersuchen des Pastors hörte dieselbe aber im Jahr 1885 auf. In Folge der Geschäftsstockung und der Schwierigkeiten, mit welchen die Gemeinde zu kämpfen hatte, bat der Pastor im October 1886 die Executiv-Committee um Unterstützung für 6 Monate. Die Bitte wurde gewährt. Im April schrieb der Pastor: „Wir sind jetzt ärmer als im Herbst. Wir verloren letzten Winter etwa 30 gute Glieder, welche arbeitshalber nach andern Orten zogen. Unsern Lebensunterhalt verdanken wir der Philadelphia und Reading Co., in deren meisten Minen in und um unsere Stadt jedoch nicht gearbeitet wird, einige wenige arbeiten ¾ Zeit, von 8 Vormittags bis 4 Nachmittags. Sobald die Philadelphia und Reading Co. zu arbeiten beginnt, wird die Gemeinde selbständig sein." Diese Mission erhielt das Jahr $150 Unterstützung.

In der vierten Conferenz.

1. Mt. Joy, Pa., Trinitatis Kirche.—Pastor J. H. Umbenhen. Die Gemeinde zählt ungefähr 90 confirmirte Glieder, von welchen ungefähr ¾ regelmäßige Communicanten sind. Im Laufe des Jahres wurden 13 Glieder durch die Confirmation aufgenommen. Die Sonntagschule zählt etwa 100 Schüler, der Durchschnittsbesuch ist 85. Die deutsche und die englische Sprache ist bei den Gottesdiensten im Gebrauch. Die Liturgie des Kirchenbuchs wird benützt. Die Glieder sind freigebig, nicht nur in Bezug auf ihre eigene Gemeinde, sondern auch was das allgemeine Wohl der Kirche betrifft. Die Mission hat mit man-

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cherlei Schwierigkeiten zu kämpfen. Aber es fehlt nicht an Zeichen eines gesunden Wachsthums, was das wahre kirchliche und geistliche Leben anbelangt. Die Unterstützung betrug $200.

2. Die englische St. Johns-Gemeinde, Columbia, Pa.—Pastor J. R. Shoffner. Die Gemeinde zählt ungefähr 150 Glieder; die Sonntagschule 250 Schüler und 35 Lehrer und Beamten. Die Kirchenschuld ist im verflossenen Jahr um etwas vermindert worden. Obgleich der Missionar mit vielen Schwierigkeiten zu kämpfen hat, schreibt er doch hoffnungsvoll über die Aussichten seiner Stelle. Jährliche Unterstützung $150.

In der fünften Conferenz.

1. Danville, Pa.—Pastor J. R. Groff. Diese Mission umfaßt die St. Johannes-Gemeinde in Danville, Pa., und 2 Landgemeinden. Die Gesammtgliederzahl wird als 180 angegeben, von welchen etwa 150 zur Communion gehen. Die St. Johannes-Gemeinde ist die einzige deutsche protestantische Kirche in Danville, einer Stadt von 8000 Einwohnern. Zwei der Kirchen wurden im letzten Jahr renovirt und bedeutend verschönert. Der in Danville eingeführte englische Abendgottesdienst dient dazu, die jungen Leute bei der Gemeinde zu erhalten. Jährliche Unterstützung $200.

2. Ober-Lykens Valley Mission.—Pastor S. S. Henry, Pillow, Pa. Die 3 Gemeinden, welche diese Mission bilden, heißen Klingers, Colemans und Artz und zählen etwa 200 Glieder. In der Artz Gemeinde zeigt sich von Jahr zu Jahr regeres Leben. In der Colemans Gemeinde ist der Fortgang mehr gleichförmig, während Klingers in mancher Beziehung zurückbleibt, obgleich in einigen Stücken Lebenszeichen nicht zu verkennen sind. In der Artz Gemeinde wurden 26 und in Klingers 7 confirmirt. Versuche, diese Stelle mit einer andern zu verbinden und so selbständig zu machen, haben noch nicht den gewünschten Erfolg gehabt. Die Unterstützung betrug $200.

3. Lykens, Pa.—Pastor M. B. Lenker. Die Mission umfaßt die 3 Gemeinden zu Lykens, Williamstown und Tower City. Die Gemeinde zu Lykens hatte im verflossenen Jahr viele harte Kämpfe zu bestehen. Der Druck der schlechten Zeiten, in Folge von geringem Arbeitslohn und wenig Arbeit in den Kohlenminen machte sich unter den Leuten recht fühlbar. Da die Gemeinden größtentheils aus Grubenarbeitern bestehen, so haben alle in financieller Hinsicht gelitten. Die Gemeinde zu Tower City hat hoffnungsvolle Aussicht. Nach dem Bericht des Pastors wurden 80 Kinder getauft und 20 confirmirt. Die Communicantenzahl ist 300. Die für das Jahr verwilligte Unterstützung betrug $100.

4. Mission in Potter und Tioga Counties, Pa.—Diese Mission hat im verflossenen Jahr keinen Missionar gehabt. Der Präsident der fünften Conferenz wurde von der Executiv-Committee ersucht, weitere Anstrengungen zu machen, um für dieses Feld einen Missionar zu gewinnen, und die fünfte Conferenz wurde ersucht, für Versorgung, ungefähr einmal des Monats, Sorge zu tragen; die dadurch verursachten Auslagen versprach die Executiv-Committee zu bestreiten. Bis jetzt ist jedoch noch nichts Bestimmtes geschehen, dieses Feld entweder zeitweilig oder anhaltend zu versorgen.

Die Bestimmung der Grenzlinien zwischen der Pittsburg-Synode und dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien wurde, nachdem eine Unterhandlung zwischen den Vertretern der beiden Körper stattgefunden hatte, an den Missions-Präsi-

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denten der Pittsburg-Synode und den Präsidenten der fünften Districts-Conferenz verwiesen.

Die deutsche sowie die englische Philadelphia Stadtmissionsbehörde werden der Synode besondere Berichte vorlegen. Es wurden diesen Missionen vierteljährliche Verwilligungen gemacht.

Die Summe, welche während des Jahres von der Executiv-Committee zur Unterstützung der 31 Missionen verwilligt und verausgabt worden ist, beträgt $6403. Von dieser Summe wurden für die zwanzig Missionsstellen, welche unter direkter Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehen $3478, für die sechs deutschen Stadtmissions-Stationen $1425, für die fünf englischen $1500 ausgegeben, welches eine Totalausgabe für Stadtmissionen von $2925 ergibt.

Ein Brief von der Texas-Synode.

Im August 1886 richtete eine von der Texas-Synode ernannte Committee ein Schreiben an den Präsidenten des Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien, welches derselbe an die Executiv-Committee verwies, und in welchem gebeten wurde, man möchte aus dem Erlös, welcher aus dem Verkauf des alten deutschen Gesangbuchs der Pennsylvanischen Synode, welches viele Gemeinden der Texas-Synode gebrauchen, fließt, das Missionswerk in Texas unterstützen. Die Executiv-Committee beschloß, daß der Texas-Synode mitgetheilt werde, daß die Executiv-Committee nicht ermächtigt sei, aus den Einnahmen vom Verkauf des deutschen Gesangbuchs die gewünschte Verwilligung zu machen.

Kasse des General-Concils.

Am 12. April 1887 wurde der allgemeinen Kasse des General-Concils die Summe von $300 aus der Kasse des Englischen Gesangbuchs verwilligt.

Die Rechnungen des Schatzmeisters.

Die Rechnungen des Schatzmeisters wurden wie gewöhnlich geprüft und richtig befunden.

Bei der Versammlung im Juli 1886 wurde der Schatzmeister ermächtigt, von dem vom früheren Schatzmeister, Pastor J. B. Rath, erhaltenen Ueberschuß soviel an die verschiedenen Fonds zu übertragen, als nach seinem Dafürhalten dazu gehört.

Vorkehrungen für die jährlichen Ansprachen bei der Versammlung des Ministeriums.

Folgende Pastoren wurden durch die Executiv-Committee bezeichnet:

Ueber die Erziehungssache: Donnerstag Abend, den 2. Juni 1887. Ueber unsere Erziehungsanstalten, Collegium und Theologisches Seminar. Redner: Ehrw. T. L. Seip, D. D., über „Erziehung im Collegium"; Pastor B. W. Schmauk über „Theologische Erziehung."

Ueber das Missionswerk: Freitag Abend, den 3. Juni 1887.

Ueber Einheimische Mission: Pastor D. H. Geissinger.

Ueber Heidenmission: Pastor R. Gerlach.

Mühlenberg Gedächtnißfeier, Montag Abend, den 6. Juni 1887. Die Redner für diesen Abend sind von der betreffenden Committee ernannt worden.

Ordinations-Predigt, Dienstag Abend, den 7. Juni 1887. Die

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Ernennung des Predigers für diese Feier wurde dem Präsidenten des Ministeriums überlassen.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secretär.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Die Wahlaufseher berichteten, daß die bisherigen Beamten, ohne Ausnahme, wiedergewählt seien, nämlich: Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Krotel, Präsident; Ehrw. J. W. Early, englischer Secretär; Ehrw. L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secretär; Ehrw. Dr. S. Laird, Schatzmeister.

Ehrw. Dr. Späth verlas den Bericht der Commitee über

Die 100jährige Gedächtnißfeier des Todes Dr. H. M. Mühlenbergs.

Ihre Committee hat die Ehre zu berichten:

1. Daß dieselbe den ihr anvertrauten Gegenstand in gehörige Erwägung genommen habe.

2. Daß auf die von der Committee ausgegangene Anregung hin die Executiv-Committee der Synode den Abend, Montag den 6. Juni, während dieser Synodalversammlung als die Zeit der Feier festsetzte.

3. Daß Ihre Committee, ausgehend von dem Gedanken, daß diese Feier doch wesentlich dem Kreise der Synode angehöre, sich dahin vereinigte, daß zwei Reden, die eine in deutsch, die andere in englisch, dabei sollen gehalten werden.

4. Daß wir es empfehlen, daß am 7. Oktober 1887 eine Gedächtnißfeier auf der Trappe gehalten werde, an dem Ort, wo Vater Mühlenberg begraben liegt.

W. J. Mann.
B. M. Schmucker.
A. Späth.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Als Sitzungszeit wurde festgesetzt 9 bis 12 Vormittags, ½3 bis ½6 Uhr Nachmittags.

Der Ehrw. Dr. B. M. Schmucker verlas hierauf den

Bericht der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars.

Jahres-Bericht der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars bis zum 31. Mai 1887.

Die jährliche Versammlung des Directoriums wurde am 30. und 31. Mai 1887 im Seminar gehalten; anwesend waren 13 Cleriker und 10 Laien von dieser Synode und ein Laien-Director vom New York Ministerium. Die Facultät berichtete, daß der Unterricht im Seminar regelmäßig gehalten wurde, und 64 Studenten denselben genießen durften; Senioren 19, Mittelklasse 22, Junioren 23. Es war ungewöhnlich viel Krankheit unter den Studenten und in einigen Fällen gefährlicher Natur. Mit Dankbarkeit anerkennt die Facultät die Güte der Behörde des deutschen Hospitals, wodurch einige der kranken Studenten darin beherbergt und aufs sorgfältigste von Diakonissen verpflegt werden konnten. Die Seminar-Hausordnung wurde durch keinen Disciplin-Fall gestört. Am ersten Sitzungstag wurde die Prüfung der Candidaten vorgenom-

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men und am zweiten Tage die Geschäfte. Der Bericht des Schatzmeisters ist in seinem Bericht an die Synode enthalten. Der Schatzmeister des New York-Ministeriums berichtete, daß $681.04 aufgebracht und bezahlt worden sind zum Unterhalt des Professors seiner Synode, und daß die fundirte Anlage dafür nunmehr $6850.37 betrage. Es wurde auch mitgetheilt, daß Frau Mary Eshen von Philadelphia 5 Pennsylvania Eisenbahn Actien dem Seminar vermacht habe, welche innerhalb eines Jahres übergeben werden. Dem Auftrag der Synode gemäß, legte die Facultät folgenden Bericht vor in Bezug auf geeignete Vorkehrung für deutschen Unterricht im Seminar, und das Directorium unterbreitet denselben der Synode.

Da das Ministerium von Pennsylvanien bei seiner letzten Versammlung in Easton beschlossen hat, daß die Facultät, behufs geeigneter Einrichtung erweiterten deutschen Unterrichts einen Plan entwerfe und dem Directorium vorlege mit der Angabe, welche weiteren Lehrkräfte zur Ausführung solchen Planes nöthig sein werden, so berichtet die Facultät folgendes: Wir haben den Gegenstand in ernstliche Erwägung gezogen und in mehreren Sitzungen uns darüber besprochen; wir haben auch, so viel in unsern Kräften lag, die Gelegenheit zum Gebrauch der deutschen Sprache als ein Unterrichtsmittel vermehrt und mit gutem Erfolg.

Wir sind überzeugt, daß es weder rathsam noch wünschenswerth ist, die Lehrer-Zahl im Seminar zu vermehren, um den deutschen Unterricht zu erweitern. Es wird so viel als möglich dafür gesorgt, daß die Studenten, welche die eine oder die andere Sprache gebrauchen, den vollen Unterrichts-Cursus genießen und besonders in der Dogmatik, nach dem jetzigen Lehrplan. Da dieselben Lehrbücher in deutscher und englischer Sprache gebraucht werden, so haben die Studenten in beiden Sprachen wesentlich dieselbe Gelegenheit. Mit der Zunahme der deutschen Studentenzahl wird auch die deutsche Sprache eine mehr prominente Stellung bekommen. Wegen dieser und anderer Ursachen möchten wir, als Facultät, befürworten, daß Vorkehrungen getroffen werden, wobei Studenten vom theologischen Seminar zu Kropp das letzte Jahr ihres Cursus bei uns zubringen würden, daß der der Synode vorgelegte Plan des Directoriums in zufriedenstellender Weise ausgeführt werden kann. (So beschlossen durch die Facultät, 31. Mai 1887. H. E. Jacobs, Secretär.

In Folge dieses Berichts und in Erwägung dieses Gegenstandes hat das Directorium beschlossen, dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien zu empfehlen, dem General-Concil vorzuschlagen, daß durch dasselbe Vorkehrungen getroffen werden, daß die Studenten von Kropp das letzte Jahr ihrer Studien im Seminar zu Philadelphia zubringen, mit dem Vorbehalt und der Bedingung, daß solche Einrichtungen dem Erachten des Seminar-Directoriums, des General-Concils und des Seminars zu Kropp entsprechen werden und mit Bezugnahme auf ihren Cursus in Kropp — die Zeugnisse über ihren Charakter und ihre Fähigkeiten und über ihre Versorgung hier. Die Facultät hat 19 Candidaten zum Graduiren empfohlen und das Directorium hat dieselben den Alumnen des Seminars hinzugezählt. Allen diesen ist das Deutsche geläufig mit Ausnahme eines Candidaten von Virginien.

Den Beamten des Directoriums und der Fakultät wurde die Befugniß ertheilt, eine Anzahl von Aerzten einzuladen, um als Gesundheits- und Besuchs-Committee fürs Seminar zu wirken.

Der Bericht und die Verhandlungen der Bau-Committee und des Agenten für die neuen Seminar-Gebäude, wurden dem Directorium vorgelegt und werden

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nun der Synode unterbreitet, um weitere Schritte darin zu thun. Der Bericht zeigt, daß das Eigenthum zu Mount Airy für $35,000 gekauft worden ist. Das in West Philadelphia liegende und früher erworbene Eigenthum konnte noch nicht verkauft werden, jedoch wurde die Versicherung gegeben, daß es an Werth zugenommen habe, und deshalb kein Verlust zu befürchten sei, weder an der Original-Summe oder den Interessen, so daß die $25,000 des Preises des Mount Airy Eigenthums mit Interessen genügende Sicherheit bietet. Das baare Geld in der Kasse zur Zeit des letzten Jahres-Berichtes, die Einnahmen und Ausgaben des Jahres und das baare Geld jetzt in der Kasse ist im Schatzmeisters-Bericht angegeben. Der ganze Zustand des Baufonds, die Beiträge von einzelnen und von Gemeinden, die erhaltenen Versprechungen und die jetzigen Aussichten sind genau bezeichnet im Agenten-Bericht.

Die Bau-Committee legte den Plan eines Architecten vor für ein neues Gebäude, das den jetzigen Ansprüchen genügt und dem später, wenn nöthig, ein größeres Gebäude hinzugefügt werden könnte; auch die Spezificationen jenes Plans und die darauf basirte Offerte; der Bauplan wurde aber von dem Directorium nicht angenommen und die Offerte deshalb zurückgewiesen. Das Directorium schlägt nun vor, daß so bald als $30,000 für Bauzwecke vorhanden sind, mit der Errichtung der neuen Gebäude begonnen werden soll. Die Bau-Committee soll für den Plan sorgen, nachdem derselbe von der Facultät und dem Directorium für gut erfunden worden ist. Ein Vorschlag einen Ausgang von der Rückseite des neuen Seminar-Platzes zu sichern, wurde in Erwägung gezogen und der Synode zur Beschlußnahme übergeben. Die Dienstzeit von 5 Geistlichen und 5 Laien-Directoren ist abgelaufen.

Aus dem Bericht des Agenten dürfte noch erwähnt werden, daß die Bau-Committee am Ende des letzten Jahres $4676.73 an barem Gelde hatte. Die Einnahmen während dieses Jahres betrugen $8623.24; die Ausgaben $7557.13. $5000 wurde an dem Mt. Airy Eigenthum bezahlt; so daß $5763.87 in der Kasse sind.

Der ganze Betrag der Einnahmen vom Anfang an betrug $41,211.58, und ausgegeben wurden $35,448.74.

Ein Circular wurde an alle Pastoren geschickt, um zu ermitteln, was zur Sammlung der nöthigen Gelder gethan worden sei. 110 Antworten wurden eingeschickt und 68 haben bis jetzt nicht geantwortet. Der Vollbetrag des erwarteten Betrags ist von 12 Parochien bezahlt worden; 89 bezahlten einen Theil davon und 73 antworteten gar nicht.

Der Bericht wurde zur Erwägung entgegengenommen.

Sodann vertagte sich die Synode mit Gebet von Dr. F. A. Mühlenberg.

Zweite Sitzung.

Freitag, den 3. Juni, Vorm. 9 Uhr.

Nachdem die Sitzung mit dem von Pastor G. A. Strunz geleiteten üblichen Gottesdienst eröffnet, das Protocoll der ersten Sitzung verlesen und angenommen war, verlas der Schatzmeister der Synode, Dr. S. Laird, seinen Jahresbericht.

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Bericht des Schatzmeisters,

Samuel Laird in Rechnung mit dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien.

Vom 17. Juni 1886 bis 1. Juni 1887.

I Allgemeiner Fond.

Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
Bilanz vom letzten Jahr	$3,364 84	Mühlenberg-Collegium	$1,000 00
Beiträge von Gemeinden	12,838 25	Zinsen für Seminar-Anleihe	1,283 70
Beiträge von Personen	30 00	Dem Seminar für laufende Ausgaben übertragen	550 00
Prämien vom deutschen Gesangbuch	2,739 90	Der Einheimischen Missions-Rechnung übertragen	4,987 91
G. W. Frederick, Prämien von englischen Gesangbuch	42 72	Der Erziehungs-Rechnung übertragen	4,227 81
T. H. Diehl, Prämien vom deutschen Gesangbuch	20 00	Der Pastoren- und Wittwen-Rechnung übertragen	1,119 00
Prämien vom Benner Katechismus	90 00	Dem Seminar-Baufond übertragen (in 1885 durch Irrthum dem allgemeinen Fond überwiesen)	30 00
Zinsen von deponirten Geldern	76 50	Druckkosten der Verhandlungen	434 67
Von andern Quellen	75	Erneuerung der Versicherung der Krauth Bibliothek	40 00
		Schatzmeisters Gehalt	400 00
		Ausgaben der Synodal-Beamten	124 77
		Ausgaben des Secretärs der Executiv-Committee	15 50
		Kirchendiener in Easton und Philadelphia	20 00
		Druckkosten für Circulare	16 00
		Bilanz in der Kasse	4,953 60
	$19,202 96		$19,202 96

II. Einheimische Missions-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge	$1,185 09	Missionen der Synode	$3,478 00
Zinsen	130 00	Philadelphia Stadtmissionen	2,775 00
Vermächtniß Stephan Fegley	100 00	Kaplan des deutschen Hospitals	150 00
Aus dem allgemeinen Fond	4,987 91		
	$6,403 00		$6,403 00

III. Heiden-Missions-Kasse.

Bilanz vom letzten Jahr	$ 155 71	An Hon. W. H. Staake, Schatzmeister der Heiden-Missions-Committee	$2,774 06
Directe Beiträge	2,639 95	Bilanz in der Kasse	99 10
Interessen von Beiträgen	77 50		
	$2,873 16		$2,873 16

IV. Erziehungs-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge	$ 542 05	Studenten im Seminar	$3,203 00
Einkünfte von Anlagen	89 64	„ „ Collegium	1,726 50
Unterstützung zurückbezahlt v. Ehrw. J. F. Beatis	70 00		
Aus der allgemeinen Kasse	4,227 81		
	$4,929 50		$4,929 50

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V. Pastoren-Wittwen- und Waisen-Kasse.

Beiträge	$ 31 00	Ausbezahlt an Wittwen	$950 00
Aus der allgemeinen Kasse	1,119 00	„ „ Ehrw. J. H. Voß	200 00
	$1,150 00		$1,150 00

VI. Englische Gesangbuchs-Kasse.

Bilanz vom letzten Jahr	$1,298 93	Ausgaben und Bücher für die Kirchenbuch-Committee	$ 232 16
Erhalten vom Schatzmeister der Publications-Committee	765 04	Ausgaben an W. H. Staake, Schatzmeister des General-Concils	300 00
		Bilanz in der Kasse	1,531 81
	$2,063 97		$2,063 97

VII. Deutsche Professur im Mühlenberg-Collegium.

Bilanz vom letzten Jahr	$ 95 00	An Prof. W. Wackernagel	$723 38
Beiträge	653 38	Bilanz in der Kasse	25 00
	$748 38		$748 38

VIII. Kasse des Theologischen Seminars.

Laufende Ausgaben.

Einnahme vom fundirten Kapital	$6,121 64	Im letzten Jahresbericht gemeldete Mehrausgabe	$ 135 46
Von Gemeinden	169 10	Professoren-Gehalt	5,322 47
Vom New Yorker Ministerium.	90 00	Seminardieners Gehalt, 11 Monate	229 16
Interessen	110 23	Kohlen und Gas	722 31
Uebertragen von der allgemeinen Kasse	550 00	Wassertaxe für 1887	44 00
Kasse überzogen	70	Reparaturen und andere Ausgaben	588 27
	$7,041 67		$7,041 67

IX. Rechnung über das Fundirungs-Kapital.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1886	$5,018 76	Neu angelegte Gelder (Hypotheken)	$20,300 00
Hypotheken zurückbezahlt	16,800 00	Bilanz	1,568 76
Subscriptionen bezahlt	50 00		
	$21,868 76		$21,868 76

X. Seminar-Baufond.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1886	$4,676 73	Ausgegeben für Mt. Airy Ankauf	$5,741 83
Subscription, übertragen aus der allgemeinen Kasse	30 00	Versicherung des Titels für das Mt. Airy Eigenthum	143 00
Erhalten von Ehrw. R. Hill, Agent	8,593 24	Interessen für Bonds ausgegeben für das Mt. Airy Eigenthum	591 54
		Taxen für West Philadelphia Eigenthum für 1886	149 49
		Gehalt des Agenten	700 00
		Reisekosten des Agenten	100 64
		Druckkosten	110 68
		Bilanz in der Kasse	5,762 84
	$13,299 97		$13,299 97

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XI. Bibliothekfond.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1886.....	$148 00	Angelegt in Hypotheken.....	$850 00
Angelegtes Geld zurückbezahlt..	850 00	Bücher und Zeitschriften für die Bibliothek.....	28 75
Zinsen.....	35 84	Bilanz in der Kasse.....	155 09
	$1,033 84		$1,033 84

Summarium.

Erhalten.		Ausgaben.	
Allgemeine Kasse.....	$19,202 96	Allgemeine Kasse.....	$2,364 64
Einheimische Mission.....	1,415 09	Einheimische Mission.....	6,403 00
Heiden-Mission	2,873 16	Heiden-Mission	2,774 06
Erziehungs-Kasse.....	701 69	Erziehung.....	4,929 50
Pastoren und Wittwen.....	31 00	Pastoren und Wittwen.....	1,150 00
Englisches Kirchenbuch.....	2,063 97	Englisches Kirchenbuch.....	532 16
Deutsche Professur.....	748 38	Deutsche Professur.....	723 38
Seminar, für laufende Kasse....	6,490 97	Seminar, laufende Kasse.....	7,041 67
" Fundirungs-Kasse...	21,868 76	" Fundirung	20,300 00
" Baufond	13,299 97	" Baufond	7,537 13
" Bibliothek.....	1,033 84	" Bibliothek.....	878 75
		Bilanz in allen Kassen (weniger Summe überzogen).....	14,095 50
	$69,729 79		$69,729 79

Die Beiträge zu den verschiedenen Synodalfonds waren wie folgt:

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Folgendes sind die Beiträge von Gemeinden für die laufenden Ausgaben des theologischen Seminars:

Pastor J. E. Ridecker	$101	10
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Achtungsvoll

Samuel Laird.

Philadelphia, 1. Juni 1887.

Hierauf verlas Dr. J. A. Seiß den

Bericht der Committee über die revidirte Constitution.

Die Committee über die revidirte Constitution des Ministeriums berichtet achtungsvoll:

1. Daß die zur Annahme vorgeschlagene Revision, welche bei der vertagten Versammlung im Januar dieses Jahres sorgfältig berathen, und nachdem verschiedene Verbesserungen gemacht, gut geheißen wurde, an die Committee zurückgewiesen wurde, damit dieselbe solche Veränderungen im Wortlaut und der Eintheilung der Paragraphen als sie für gut finden mögen, mache und dieselbe in der deutschen sowie in der englischen Sprache zur endgültigen Berathung und Annahme drucken lasse.

2. Daß die erhaltenen Instructionen genau ausgeführt worden sind und die ganze Constitution und Nebengesetze mit allen angeordneten Verbesserungen hiermit in beiden Sprachen im Druck vorgelegt werde.

3. Daß nach unserer jetzigen Constitution die Synode über die vorgelegte und genehmigte Revision zu beschließen hat, und daß ⅔ der abgegebenen Stimmen zur schließlichen Annahme der Constitution und Nebengesetze erforderlich sind.

Die Komitee.

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Folgende Abänderungen und Zusätze in der neuen Constitution wurden gutgeheißen: Capitel 2, Abschnitt III, Von den Conferenzen, § 9 Seite 8 (deutsches Exemplar). — Capitel 3, Vom Senior, § 4, S. 11. — Vom Präsidenten, § 11, S. 13. — Von den Secretären, § 7, S. 15. — Capitel 8, Von den Geistlichen, §§ 11 und 13, S. 35 und 36, sowie die Einteilung des 13. Capitels.

Der Ehrw. Dr. Seiß zeigte der Synode an, daß er soeben die Trauernachricht von dem plötzlichen Tod des Herrn Paul P. Keller, welcher als Stellvertreter eines Delegaten zur diesjährigen Versammlung der Synode erwählt war, erhalten habe.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte folgende regelmäßige Committeen:

1. Ueber den Jahresbericht des Präsidenten: Die Pastoren: T. T. Jäger, F. Walz, J. K. Plitt, J. C. Dizinger, P. Ifenschmid, M.D., S. A. Ziegenfuß, D. Sanner und die Laiendelegaten: A. K. Michler, Prof. D. S. Boyer, A. W. Seltzer, Peter Woll, J. Doster., sen.

2. Ueber den Bericht des Schatzmeisters: Die Pastoren: J. M. Anspach, M. C. Horine, Geo. P. Müller, D. M. Stettler, H. B. Strodach und die Laiendelegaten: H. D. Heydt, W. H. Kuntz, Geo. F. Neimann, Philipp Kolb, sen., Jakob H. Yonkin.

3. Ueber Entschuldigungen: Die Pastoren: H. Weickfel, E. H. Pohle, J. F. Wampole, J. L. Becker, J. S. Renninger, J. H. Kuder, J. N. S. Erb, W. C. L. Lauer, J. G. Pfuhl, C. E. Haupt.

4. Ueber des Präsidenten Rechnung: Die Pastoren: Dr. C. W. Schäffer, Dr. G. D. Bernheim, J. H. Fritz.

5. Ueber Parochial-Berichte: 1. Conferenz, Pastor E. E. Sibole und Herr Johann Born; 2. Conferenz, Pastor L. H. Geschwind und Herr J. B. Zimmele; 3. Conferenz, Pastor J. J. Kündig und Herr Edmund Fischer; 4. Conferenz, Pastor E. S. Brownmiller und Herr E. K. Seibert; 5. Conferenz, Pastor S. E. Ochsenford und Herr Joh. Binder.

6. Ueber Aufnahme von Gemeinden: Die Pastoren: B. D. Zweizig, Thomas Steck, J. H. Neiman, B. S. Small und die Laiendelegaten: Peter Snyder, Jeremiah Heilman, Adam Kellner.

7. Ueber die letztjährigen Verhandlungen: Die Secretäre der Synode.

8. Ueber die Conferenz-Verhandlungen: Die Secretäre der Conferenzen.

Herr G. W. Childs, Eigenthümer des Public Ledger, war so freundlich, während der Versammlung jeden Tag 200 Exemplare seiner Zeitung, welche einen kurzen Bericht über die Verhandlungen brachte, gratis zu senden. Es wurde ihm durch Beschluß der herzliche Dank der Synode ausgesprochen.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Dr. H. E. Jakobs.

Dritte Sitzung.

Freitag, den 3. Juni 1887, Nachm. ½3 Uhr.

Der Ehrw. G. A. Brügel leitete den Gottesdienst.

Nach Verlesung und Annahme der Verhandlungen der Vormittags-Sitzung

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wurde der Bericht der Directoren des theologischen Seminars zur Weiterberathung vorgenommen.

Nach mehrstündiger Besprechung desselben vertagte sich die Synode, um eine Ministerial-Sitzung zu halten. Pastor Dr. G. D. Bernheim sprach das Schlußgebet.

Vierte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 4. Juni 1887, Vorm. 9 Uhr.

Pastor G. F. Gardner leitete die Andacht. Nachdem die Verhandlungen der dritten Sitzung verlesen und angenommen waren, wurde die Berathung der neuen Constitution wieder aufgenommen.

Die revidirte Constitution wurde nun mit 125 gegen 15 Stimmen endgültig angenommen, und

Beschlossen, daß dieselbe sogleich nach Vertagung der diesjährigen Synode in Kraft treten soll.

Beschlossen, daß die Publications-Committee beauftragt werde, für den Druck der revidirten Constitution in deutscher und englischer Sprache zu sorgen und dieselbe zu einem von ihr festgesetzten Preis zum Verkauf beständig vorräthig zu halten*).

Beschlossen, daß der gedruckten Constitution ein von den Synodalbeamten beglaubigtes Attestat betreffs der Annahme dieser Constitution durch Beschlußnahme des Ministeriums beigegeben werde.

Der Committee über die revidirte Constitution wurde der Dank des Ministeriums ausgesprochen, für ihre treue und sorgfältige Arbeit. Auch wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Committee über die revidirte Constitution ersucht werde, eine vollständige und genaue Abschrift des Freibriefs, der Synodalordnung und der Nebengesetze herstellen zu lassen, daß diese Abschrift durch die Namensunterschrift der Beamten der Synode beglaubigt, mit dem Siegel des Ministeriums versehen, und als officielle Abschrift im Archiv aufbewahrt werde.

Die bei der Ministerial-Sitzung zur Ordination empfohlenen Candidaten wurden der Synode vorgestellt. Der Ehrw. Präsident machte ihnen ihre Zulassung zur Ordination bekannt und ersuchte sie, sich Dienstag Abend, den 7. Juni, zu dieser Feier einzufinden.

Die Committee über den Bericht des Schatzmeisters berichtete, daß sie den Bericht geprüft und in Richtigkeit gefunden habe.

Hierauf vertagte sich die Synode, um sich Montag Vormittag wieder zu versammeln. Dr. B. Sadtler sprach das Gebet.

Samstag Nachmittag 4 Uhr statteten die Glieder der Synode dem Deutschen Hospital einen Besuch ab.

Fünfte Sitzung.

Montag, den 6. Juni 1887, Vorm. 9 Uhr.

Pastor F. Walz leitete die Andacht. Nach Verlesung und Annahme der Verhandlungen der vierten Sitzung wurde der Bericht der Directoren des

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Seminars weiter berathen und ein in der vorhergehenden Sitzung gemachter Vorschlag bezüglich der Kropper Studenten, sowie verschiedene andere Vorschläge, welche über diese Angelegenheit vorlagen, an eine besondere Committee verwiesen, welche bei dieser Versammlung berichten soll.

Die Committee besteht aus den Geistlichen: Ehrw. B. M. Schmucker, D. D., W. J. Mann, D. D., J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D., F. Wischan, J. J. Kündig und den Laiendelegaten: M. Langenstein, Robert Baur und T. H. Diehl.

Die Berathung des Berichtes der Directoren des Seminars wurde fortgesetzt und in Verbindung damit verlas der Agent des Seminars, Ehrw. R. Hill, seinen Bericht über die Geld-Sammlungen für den Seminarbau. Hierauf

Beschlossen, daß alle diejenigen Pastoren, welche auf das Circular der Executiv-Committee nicht geantwortet haben, jetzt Gelegenheit haben sollen, die Gründe anzugeben, warum sie solches nicht gethan haben.

Hierauf verlas Pastor Hill die Namen derer, von welchen er eine Antwort erhalten hatte. Sodann wurde

Beschlossen, daß am Nachmittag die Namenliste verlesen und jeder Pastor gefragt werde, wie viel er gesonnen und im Stande sei für den Seminarbau beizusteuern.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte die Pastoren J. J. Creßman, L. H. Geschwind und F. F. Bürmeyer als Stimmzähler für die Wahl der Beisitzer in der Executiv-Committee.

Die Stadt Reading soll Versammlungsort der Executiv-Committee sein.

Der Bericht des Waisenhauses und Asyls soll Dienstag Nachmittag sogleich nach Eröffnung an die Tagesordnung kommen.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Ehrw. S. A. Repaß, D. D.

Sechste Sitzung.

Montag, den 6. Juni 1887, Nachm. 2½ Uhr.

Eröffnet mit Gottesdienst, geleitet von Pastor D. Sanner. Nach Verlesung und Annahme der Verhandlungen der fünften Sitzung, wurde der Bericht der Directoren des theologischen Seminars weiter berathen und

Beschlossen, daß die Directoren des Seminars ermächtigt seien, das in ihrem Bericht beschriebene Grundstück in Mt. Airy anzukaufen.

Der Präsident ernannte die folgenden Stimmzähler für die Wahl der Directoren des Seminars: Ehrw. W. G. Laitzle, S. A. Ziegenfuß, A. M. Strauß, J. Neff, H. H. Bruning und die Herren Fr. Bauer, Heinr. Kellner, A. Kreutzer.

Der Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht wurde nun verlesen und lautet wie folgt:

Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht.

Die Committee über den Bericht des Präsidenten und demselben beigegebene Schriftstücke berichtet folgendes:

I. Daß während des verflossenen Synodal-Jahres unter den Gliedern des Ministeriums nur ein Todesfall vorgekommen ist, nämlich der des Ehrw. J.

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F. Bayer, welcher während beinahe 30 Jahren der Kirche in verschiedenen Arbeitsfeldern gedient hat. Hierauf uns beziehend, empfehlen wir folgende Beschlußnahme:

Beschlossen, daß wir die Treue in seinem Dienst während dieser Jahre anerkennen und unsere Gefühle über den Verlust aussprechen, der der Kirche durch seinen Tod erwachsen ist.

II. Da die ganze Sache des neuen Seminars anderorts zur Sprache kommen wird, haben wir hier keine Vorschläge zu machen.

III. Die Synode hat alle Ursache, mit aufrichtigem Dank gegen Gott die Freigebigkeit des Herrn John D. Lankenau anzuerkennen, die er bewiesen hat durch die Errichtung des Mutterhauses für Diaconissen und des Asyls für alte Deutsche auf dem Grundstück des Deutschen Hospitals in Philadelphia.

IV. In Betreff des Falles von Herrn J. W. Klingler empfehlen wir, daß die Beschlüsse der 2. Conferenz aufrecht erhalten werden und daß die weitere Verhandlung über die Sache an die Synode verwiesen werde.

V. Der Ehrw. J. J. Kündig benachrichtigt den Präsidenten dieses Körpers officiell, daß seine Gemeinde beschlossen hat, sich der zu gründenden deutschen Conferenz anzuschließen.

VI. Wir empfehlen, daß der Handlung des Präsidenten in Sachen des Prof. C. C. Boyer (vide Präsidenten-Bericht) beigestimmt werde.

Thos. L. Jäger, P. Isenschmid,
F. Walz, Daniel Sauner,
J. K. Plitt, A. K. Richler:
J. C. Dizinger,

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und Punkt für Punkt besprochen. Bei der Annahme des ersten Vorschlags der Committee erhob sich die Synode.

Der zweite und dritte Punkt wurde hierauf angenommen.

Der vierte Punkt wurde aufgeschoben, bis der Bericht der Committee über Conferenzverhandlungen vorgelegt wird.

In Bezug auf den fünften Punkt wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Synode in dieser Angelegenheit wie auch in Bezug auf die anderen vorgelegten Gesuche um Entlassung, noch keinen Beschluß fassen kann, da die neue Constitution, nach welcher Gemeinden an eine deutsche Conferenz entlassen werden können, noch nicht in Kraft getreten ist.

Der Vorschlag der Committee bezüglich Punkt VI wurde angenommen.

Laut eines in der vorhergehenden Sitzung gefaßten Beschlusses, wurde nun die Namenliste der Pastoren verlesen und jeder Einzelne gab an, wie viel er soweit für das Neue Seminar einbezahlt habe und noch zu zahlen beabsichtige.

Die Wahlaufseher berichteten, daß die folgenden Brüder erwählt seien in die

Executiv-Committee:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. F. J. F. Schantz,	Herr A. W. Potteiger,
„ T. L. Seip, D. D.,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,	„ Aug. Bendel,
„ J. Fry, D. D.,	„ C. R. Lantz,
„ J. J. Kündig.	„ W. A. Henry.

Beschlossen, daß eine Special-Committee, bestehend aus 5 Predigern und 4 Laien ernannt werde, um zu berathen, welche weiteren Schritte gethan werden müssen, angesichts der erhaltenen Berichte über die Sammlung der Beiträge für das Neue Seminar, und daß dieser Bericht Dienstag Nachmittag, nachdem der Bericht über das Waisenhaus verlesen worden ist, vorgelegt werde.

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Diese Committee besteht aus den Pastoren: Ehrw. J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D., W. J. Mann, D. D., B. W. Schmauk, H. E. Jakobs, D. D., S. A. Repaß, D. D., und den Laien: Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., A. W. Potteiger, J. C. File, J. J. Mohr.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor J. Kohler.

Siebente Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 7. Juni 1887, 9 Uhr Vorm.

Eröffnet von Pastor G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.

Nachdem die Verhandlungen der sechsten Sitzung verlesen und angenommen waren, berichtete die Wahlcommittee die Wiedererwählung aller derjenigen Directoren des Theologischen Seminars, deren Amtszeit abgelaufen war, nämlich:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D. D.,	Herr Chas. B. Norton,
„ J. Kohler,	„ R. B. Miller,
„ P. Pfatteicher,	„ J. C. File,
„ H. Grahn,	„ Prof. S. P. Sadtler,
„ D. H. Geissinger.	„ A. C. Albrecht.

Sodann verlas Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß den Bericht des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenberg-Collegiums. Derselbe wurde zur Berathung entgegengenommen. Ueber den Gehalt des deutschen Professors wurde

Beschlossen, daß eine Committee ernannt werde, um von den Gliedern der Synode für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors im Mühlenberg-Collegium, Unterschriften zu erlangen.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz wurde hierzu ernannt.

Beschlossen, daß alle Beiträge für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors direkt an den Schatzmeister des Colleginms, Pastor C. J. Cooper, zu senden sind.

Der Bericht wurde nun wie folgt lautend angenommen:

Bericht des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenberg-Collegiums.

Die jährliche Versammlung der Verwalter des Mühlenberg-Collegiums wurde am 23. und 24. Juni 1886 gehalten; die halbjährliche Versammlung am 26. Januar 1887. In dem Bericht der Facultät an die Trustees findet sich folgende Darstellung: Der Unterricht und die Ordnung in der Anstalt hat keine Unterbrechung erlitten, auch sind keine besonderen Ereignisse während des verflossenen Jahres zu berichten. Professoren und Studenten haben durchgängig guter Gesundheit sich erfreuen dürfen, keinerlei Mißgeschicke haben uns betroffen, so daß wir dem Herrn Dank schulden für seine gnädige Fürsorge.

Die Zahl der im Katalog eingeschriebenen Studenten im Jahre 1886—87 ist 124. Von dieser Zahl befinden sich 61 im Collegium und 63 in der Vorschule. Die Seniorenklasse zählt 12 Glieder; von diesen wollen 6 Theologie

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studieren, fünf in unserem Seminar in Philadelphia, und einer, Glied der reformirten Kirche, im reformirten Seminar zu Lancaster, Pa. Auch im vergangenen Jahre wurde neben dem regelmäßigen Unterricht eine Reihe von Vorlesungen gehalten und zwar unentgeltlich.

Diese Vorträge hielten die Ehrw. Doktoren G. D. Bernheim und H. E. Jakobs, W. F. Mühlenberg, M. D., und Ehrw. J. F. Ohl. Die Vorschule (Academic Department) steht noch unter Leitung der Professoren Ettinger und Dieter. Der Bibliothek-Fond ist durch folgende Beiträge vermehrt worden: $100 von J. A. Geissenhainer, Esq., $100 von Herrn Luther P. Keller und $30 von der Klasse des Jahres 1886.

Die jährliche Verwilligung von $1000 wurde im Laufe des Jahres empfangen und mit Sorgfalt verwendet. Das Collegium bedarf dieser Verwilligung noch ferner. Der Ehrw. C. J. Cooper, Schatzmeister und Finanz-Agent des Collegiums, hat sich befleißigt, die Sache der höheren christlichen Schulbildung in vielen Gemeinden der Synode vorzubringen, und auf diese Weise nöthige Belehrung ertheilt, größeres Interesse für die Anstalt geweckt, sowie auch Studenten und Geldmittel für dieselbe gesichert. Er hat über $3000 für die laufenden Ausgaben gesammelt, wodurch die Anstalt in den Stand gesetzt wurde, sehr nothwendige und bedeutende Verbesserungen nach und nach zu vollenden. Durch seine Bemühungen, unter Mithülfe unseres würdigen Präsidenten, Ehrw. T. L. Seip, D. D., welchem es auch gelungen ist, mehr als $1300 für diesen Zweck zusammen zu bringen, ist das Eigenthum gründlich ausgebessert worden.

Während der Sommer-Ferien sind alle Wohnzimmer der Studenten und die Gänge kalsominirt und angestrichen worden, und augenblicklich werden die Anlagen und die Seitenwege in guten Stand gesetzt. Ist das Eigenthum einmal in gehörigem und geeignetem Zustande, bleibt noch eine schwere Schuld zu tilgen, und das Sichern von bleibenden Fonds, die für die Anstalt angelegt werden. Der Verwaltungsrath ist den Pastoren und Gemeinden, die den Agenten freundlich bewillkommt und in dieser wichtigen Arbeit mitgewirkt haben, zu Dank verpflichtet. Ihre Trustees sind der zuversichtlichen Hoffnung, daß unsere Pastoren und Gemeinden alle zur geeigneten Zeit sich in der Lage befinden werden, den Agenten in ihrer Mitte willkommen zu heißen, und auf diese Weise die Wirksamkeit des Collegiums auszudehnen. Da die bisherigen Vorkehrungen der Synode für das Gehalt des deutschen Professors die stipulirte Summe nicht eingebracht haben, so ersuchen die Trustees die Synode achtungsvoll, diese Sache bei jetziger Versammlung sorgfältig und ernstlich in Erwägung zu ziehen. Einstimmig wurde folgender Beschluß von der Executiv-Committee der Verwaltungsbehörde bei ihrer monatlichen Versammlung im April angenommen:

> Beschlossen, daß wir, die Executiv-Committee des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenbergs-Collegiums, das Ev.-Luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten achtungsvoll ersuchen zu beschließen: „Daß eine Gedächtniß-Feier zu Ehren des Ehrw. Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg, D. D., des Patriarchen der Lutherischen Kirche in Amerika von den Pastoren unseres Ministeriums in allen ihren Gemeinden im Laufe des künftigen Monats October gehalten werden mag und daß bei dieser Feier freiwillige Gaben zur Fundirung der deutschen Professur im Mühlenberg-Collegium gesammelt werden mögen.

Der Amtstermin folgender Trustees endet mit dieser Versammlung: Ehrw. W. Rath, J. A. Seiß, D. D. LL. D., B. M. Schmucker, D. D., E.

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A. Bauer, S. Laird, D. D., G. F. Krotel, D. D., und der Herren R. E. Wright, Esq., Thomas W. Säger, H. Weinsheimer, Isaak Fegley.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

E. A. Ziegenfuß, Secretär des Verwaltungsraths.

Man schritt hierauf zur Wahl der Glieder des Verwaltungsraths mit folgenden Stimmzählern, Pastoren: Ehrw. G. F. Gardner, J. W. Haßler, J. H. Schmidt, L. Groh, J. R. Shoffner; Laiendelegaten: L. Schneider, Carl Fagely, Silas B. King.

Der Ehrw. C. W. Schäffer, D. D., verlas folgenden

Bericht über die Rechnung des Präsidenten.

Die Committee, welche ernannt wurde, die Rechnungen des Präsidenten, Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D. D., zu untersuchen, berichtet achtungsvoll, daß sie die Rechnungen und die Belege dafür sorgfältig geprüft, die Verwaltung gewissenhaft und die Rechnung in Richtigkeit gefunden hat.

C. W. Schäffer,
G. D. Bernheim,
J. H. Fritz.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Sodann verlas Pastor H. Grahn den

Bericht der Committee für die deutsche Stadtmission in Philadelphia.

Durch Gottes Gnade ist es uns gestattet, der Hochwürdigen Synode einen günstigen Jahresbericht über unser Arbeitsfeld abzustatten.

Unsre Gemeinden haben, außer dem Deutschen Hospital, noch um eine neue zugenommen. Wir berichten

1. Von der Immanuels-Gemeinde in Frankford unter Pastor M. Schimpf. Die Gemeinde zählt 125 Glieder und hat 12 Lehrer und 90 Kinder in der Sonntagschule. Es wurden in diesem Jahre 17 Personen confirmirt. Der Pastor empfing $100.00 Unterstützung von der Synode.

2. St. Thomas-Gemeinde in Germantown. Die Gemeinde ist durch die Wahl des Pastors F. Jelden, von der Canada-Synode, wieder versorgt. Herr Pastor Jelden hat am 15. November vorigen Jahres sein Amt angetreten. Er berichtet 118 Glieder, mit 16 Lehrern und 95 Schülern in der Sonntagschule. Die Unterstützung seitens der Synode beträgt $250.00 aufs Jahr.

3. St. Peters, West-Philadelphia. Pastor E. H. Pohle. Gemeindeglieder 79. Die Sonntagschule weist 19 Lehrer und 137 Kinder, einen Zuwachs von 30 Kindern, nach. Die Gemeinde hat eine anerkennungswerthe Thätigkeit entwickelt, namentlich in Herbeischaffung von Geldmitteln für nothwendige Reparaturen. Sie wurde mit $400.00 unterstützt.

4. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde, Rising Sun. Pastor J. A. Linß. Gemeindeglieder 150 mit 13 Lehrern und 152 Kindern in der Sonntagschule. Die Gemeinde zeigt Wachsthum und Erstarkung. Sie wurde mit $100.00 unterstützt.

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5. Christus-Mission, Pastor J. Witke, bestehend aus der Christus- und Marcus-Gemeinde. Die Christus-Gemeinde berichtet 70 Glieder mit 25 Lehrern und 200 Schülern in der Sonntagschule. Diese Gemeinde hat einen Bauplatz, 63 bei 87 Fuß für $4000.00 gekauft. Sie beabsichtigt jedoch noch nicht neu zu bauen, sondern ihre Kapelle zu verlängern, womit den dringendsten Bedürfnissen für die Sonntagschule abgeholfen werden soll, bis die Gemeinde im Stande ist, einen Neubau aufzuführen.

Die Marcus-Gemeinde in Penn Village, mit der vorstehenden verbunden, zählt 32 Glieder, 10 Sonntagschullehrer und 90 Kinder. Der Missionar hat sonntäglich seit Neujahr neue Glieder aufnehmen können. Die Stelle empfängt $500.00 Unterstützung.

6. Das Deutsche Hospital. Die Executiv-Committee hat Herrn Pastor J. Heck als Hausgeistlichen für das Hospital angestellt und dieser hat sein Amt im Laufe des Jahres verwaltet. Es ist leicht begreiflich, daß mit solcher Stellung mancherlei Schwierigkeiten verknüpft sind und mannigfache Rücksichten genommen werden müssen. So hat z. B. der Verwaltungsrath der Anstalt für zweckmäßig gehalten, die regelmäßigen Gottesdienste anstatt am Sonntage an einem Wochentage zu halten. Unser Missionar hat demgemäß Mittwoch erwählt und hält diese Gottesdienste Nachmittags 4 Uhr, an denen 60 und mehr theilnahmen. Außerdem widmet er den Kranken 6—8 Stunden wöchentlich in der Privatseelsorge. So sind Hunderten unsrer leidenden Glaubensbrüder Wort und Sacrament gewiß nicht ohne reichen Segen im Laufe des Jahres zu Theil geworden. Unterstützung $200.00.

Außerdem kann Ihr Committee mit Genugthuung berichten, daß eine neue Gemeinde unter dem Namen „Kreuz-Gemeinde" im nördlichen Stadttheile sich gebildet hat. — Seit Jahren schon hat der „Allgemeine Sonntagschul-Verein" der deutschen Gemeinden der Stadt in jener Gegend eine Sonntagschule gegründet und unterhalten, und als im Laufe der Zeit sich jene Gegend mehr und mehr mit Deutschen bevölkerte, so wurde am 1. Adventssonntag zur Bildung einer Gemeinde geschritten. Am 20. Februar d. J. wurde unser Missionar im Deutschen Hospital auch zum Seelsorger derselben einstimmig erwählt. Die junge Gemeinde hat schon einen Bauplatz an der Ecke der 9. Straße und Lehigh Ave. für $9500.00 erworben, auf dem am 22. März der erste Spatenstich zum Kirchbau in feierlicher Weise gethan wurde. 106 Familien haben sich der Gemeinde angeschlossen. Sie hält einen Lehrer mit 26 Kindern in der Wochenschule und hat 15 Lehrer mit 115 Kindern in der Sonntagschule.

Obwohl die Aussichten der Gemeinde auf Erfolg sehr günstige sind und die Opferbereitwilligkeit der Glieder eine im hohen Grade anerkennungswerthe ist, so bedarf das Unternehmen doch der kräftigen Mitwirkung von außen und Ihr Committee befürwortet daher dringend eine angemessene Unterstützung aus der Synodal-Kasse.

Der treue Herr unser Gott wolle ferner unser ganzes Werk in Seine gnädige Obhut nehmen und wachsen und gedeihen lassen zu Seines Namens Ehre.

H. Grahn, Präsident.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Die Committee, welche ernannt war, einen Plan vorzulegen (siehe 5. Sitzung), nach welchem Studenten aus Kropp ihr letztes Studienjahr im Semi-

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nar in Philadelphia zubringen können, legte nun folgende Vorschläge vor, welche auch angenommen wurden:

Beschlossen, daß wir die vom Verwaltungsrath des Seminars hier vorgelegte Proposition zur Annahme anempfehlen.

Beschlossen, daß die Executiv-Committee angewiesen werden soll, diejenigen Studenten aus Kropp, welche ihr letztes Studienjahr im Philadelphia-Seminar zubringen, zum Betrage von $1000.00 zu unterstützen.

Beschlossen, daß wir es der Erwägung der Synode anheimstellen, in wie weit Recht und Billigkeit von uns eine Unterstützung der Anstalt zu Kropp fordern.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor M. C. Horine.

Achte Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 7. Juni 1887, Nachm. ½3 Uhr.

Eröffnet durch Pastor F. P. Bender. Die Verhandlungen der siebenten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Die Aufseher der Wahl für Trustees des Mühlenberg-Collegiums berichteten folgendes Resultat:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D.,	Herr T. W. Säger,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,	„ R. E. Wright, Esq.,
„ G. F. Krotel, D. D.,	„ Isaak Fegley,
„ M. C. Horine,	„ G. H. Meyers.
„ E. A. Bauer,	
„ G. D. Bernheim, D. D.	

Herr H. Lehman verlas folgenden

28. Jahresbericht über das Waisenhaus und Asyl in Germantown, Pa.

Durch Gottes Güte durfte diese Anstalt ihr 28. Jahresfest feiern und befindet sich einem erfreulichen Zustande.

Waisenhaus und Asyl gehören unserer lutherischen Kirche und an treuen Freunden fehlt's diesen Anstalten nicht.

1. Das Waisenhaus.

Während des verflossenen Jahres war der Gesundheitszustand der Waisenkinder recht gut. Es kam weder schwere Krankheit noch ein Todesfall vor. Dafür sei der liebe Vater im Himmel gepriesen.

Die Zahl der Waisen betrug am 1. April 1886	86
Nämlich 59 Knaben und 27 Mädchen.	
Während des Jahres wurden aufgenommen 4 Knaben und 1 Mädchen	5
	91
Es verließen die Anstalt 11 Knaben und 4 Mädchen	15
Somit verbleiben	76

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Ein Knabe und 4 Mädchen erreichten das Alter, in welchem die Anstalt sie entläßt. Sechs Knaben gingen zu Freunden, welche für sie sorgen; 2 werden bei Farmern untergebracht und 2 erlernen Handwerke. Es sind also 52 Knaben und 24 Mädchen, zusammen 76 Kinder im Waisenhaus.

Die Kinder gehen in die evang.-luth. St. Michaelis-Kirche (Ehrw. Pastor J. P. Deck) zum Gottesdienst und zur Sonntagschule. Fünf wurden am Palmsonntag confirmirt.

Hausvater Herr Carl F. Kuhnle und seine Gattin stehen der Anstalt treulich vor. Es ist gewiß keine leichte Aufgabe, Tag für Tag für solche große Familie Sorge zu tragen, daß alles in Frieden seinen geordneten Gang geht.

Unter der tüchtigen Leitung der Oberlehrerin Frl. Emma A. Kähler machten auch im verflossenen Jahre die Kinder gute Fortschritte. 52 Schüler wurden von ihr unterrichtet. Fräulein Rosa Weegman hat den Kindergarten unter ihrer Aufsicht. 20 unserer Kleinsten sind ihr zugetheilt, welchen sie mit viel Geschick und Sorgfalt die Lectionen ertheilt.

Ernst T. Kretschmann und Carl W. Jeffries haben das Seminar im vergangenen Jahre besucht. William T. Kretschmann studirt in der Universität in West Philadelphia. Alle 3 haben als frühere Zöglinge des Waisenhauses dem Verwaltungsrath durch ihren Fleiß Freude gemacht.

Seit der Gründung der Anstalt haben 536 Waisenkinder ein Heim hier gefunden.

2. Die Alten-Heimat (Asyl).

Das Asyl, welches die Heimat der Alten und Betagten ist, hat auch im verflossenen Jahre die Obhut Gottes reichlich erfahren. Unter der tüchtigen Leitung der unermüdlichen Frau Julie Riedt gedeiht auch dieser Theil unserer Anstalten. Die Bewohner sollen hier warten, bis ihr letztes Stündlein schlägt.

Viele, die hier schon ihren Einzug gehalten haben, waren dankbar, daß die Kirche ein Heim hat, in welchem sie ihren Feierabend halten konnten. Wer das rechte Herz mitbringt, dem muß hier der Morgenglanz der Ewigkeit friedlich und freundlich den letzten Rest der Erdentage bescheinen.

In der schönen Kapelle des Asyls werden mit den Alten die Gottesdienste gehalten. 5 Todesfälle kamen im Asyl vor. Es starb ein Mann und 4 Frauen, die alle über 70 Jahre alt geworden waren. Sie hatten nicht blos die rechte Pflege des Leibes in den letzten schweren Tagen, sondern auch den rechten Trost für ihre Seele beim Auszug aus diesem Jammerthal.

Die Anzahl der Asylbewohner betrug am 1. April 1886, 7 Männer und 26 Frauen, zusammen 33; aufgenommen wurden während des Jahres 2 Männer und 3 Frauen. Es starben 5 Personen und 2 verließen die Anstalt. Somit haben wir gegenwärtig 7 Männer und 24 Frauen, zusammen 31. 102 alte und betagte Personen fanden hier seit der Gründung ein Heim.

3. Unsere Mitarbeiter.

Waisenhaus und Asyl sind zwei große Anstalten, welche 76 Waisen und 31 Alten beherbergen. Die Anstalten gehören der Synode von Pennsylvanien. Wir freuen uns, daß das Interesse unserer Landgemeinden von Jahr zu Jahr wächst. Doch sollten die 408 Gemeinden, welche Antheil an den Anstalten haben, auch alle etwas für dieselben thun. Wohlthat trägt Zinsen. Gottes Segen fließt immer auf die Geber zurück.

Die werthen Frauen (Visitorinnen) der verschiedenen lutherischen Gemein-

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den der Stadt Philadelphia und Umgegend besuchen regelmäßig die Anstalten und sehen darauf, daß Alt und Jung die nöthige Pflege und Fürsorge erhalten.

Zwei unserer Besucherinnen hat der Herr seit dem letzten Jahre zur ewigen Heimat abgerufen. Frau Catharina J. Engel, Mitglied der deutsch-ev.-luth. St. Johannis-Gemeinde (Ehrw. Dr. A. Späth), welche allzeit reges Interesse an der Wohlfahrt und dem Gedeihen unserer Anstalten zeigte, starb am 27. Mai 1886. Frau Catharina M. Bremer, ein Mitglied der deutsch-ev.-luth. Zions-Gemeinde, starb am 5. Januar 1887. Sie war seit der Gründung mit der Anstalt verbunden. Mit Rath und That suchte sie das Wohl derselben zu fördern und nicht allein beseelte sie selbst diese Liebe, sondern sie überträgt sie noch auf andere so daß ihre Kinder und Enkel in ihre Fußstapfen traten. Deshalb geschah es, daß in der Geschichte des Waisenhauses und Asyls kein Name unter den Wohlthätern so hervorragt, als der der Familie Bremer. Herr John L. Bremer hatte zur Zeit der Schuldentilgung $5000 dem Waisenhaus beigesteuert und als das neue Asyl gebaut wurde, gab er wieder $5000. Möge der Herr noch manche solcher Freunde erwecken.

Der Gabentag, welcher am 26. Mai 1887 abgehalten wurde, war mit rechtem Erfolg gekrönt. Die Theilnahme an diesem Feste war größer als zuvor. Nicht allein aus unseren Kirchengemeinden der Stadt waren Besucher herbeigeströmt, sondern sie waren auch zahlreich von Wilmington, Camden, Norristown, Reading, Lancaster 2c. gekommen. Der Gabentag gestaltet sich mehr zu einem christlichen Volksfest, an welchem Wohlthätigkeit perlet und die Freundschaft gegenseitig gepflegt wird. Allen Mitarbeiterinnen stattet der Verwaltungsrath den herzlichsten Dank ab. Ohne die thätige Mitwirkung der Visitorinnen und ihrer Gehilfen, müßte so ein Fest unterbleiben.

Dr. J. R. Shellenberger hat seit einer Reihe von Jahren beides im Waisenhaus und Asyl sehr werthvolle Dienste geleistet und zwar unentgeltlich. Das verdient unsere dankbarste Anerkennung.

Die Dienstzeit von 2 Gliedern des Verwaltungsraths die des Ehrw. Dr. W. J. Mann und Herrn John C. File ist mit dieser Synodalsitzung abgelaufen. Eine Neuwahl ist vorzunehmen.

Allen Freunden der Anstalten gebührt unserer inniger Dank. Der Herr sei der Vergelter aller Wohlthaten. Er segne auch ferner unser Waisenhaus und Asyl.

H. Lehman, Präs.	**A. Späth, D. D.**,
P. P. Keller, Englischer Secr.	**J. P. Deck**,
F. Wischan, Deutscher Secr.	**G. M. Kinsler**,
J. C. File, Schatzmeister,	**K. B. Miller**,
W. J. Mann, D. D.,	**Wm. H. Staake**, solic.

Herr J. C. File verlas den

Schatzmeisters-Bericht

des Waisenhauses und der Alten-Heimat für Alte und Gebrechliche der Evang.-Luth. Kirche in Germantown.

Das zinstragende Kapital, wie letzt berichtet, war wie folgt:

Geschenk des verst. Hrn. Ludwig Bremer	$ 1000 00
" " " " Johann M. Pleis, Sen.	1000 00
" " " " Johann M. Pleis, Sen.	1000 00
" " Hrn. Johann L. Bremer (Hypothek)	5000 00
Uebertrag	$ 8000 00

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Vortrag	$ 8000 00
Vermächtniß von Frau Judith Graff, Phila	200 00
Ver. St. Bond	300 00
Note für deponirte Gelder unserer Anstalt anvertraut	2800 00
Vermächtniß des verst Hrn. Geo. W. Grove, Phila	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes in Pennsylvanien	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes in Phila	100 00
Vermächtniß von Christina Schweigert	50 00
„ „ Frl. Elisabeth Rodmann Fischer	100 00
„ „ Frl. Rebecca Jungkurth	100 00
„ „ Hrn. Jesse George, Phila	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes	200 00
Vermächtniß von Rachel H. Stewart	100 00
„ „ Hrn. Benjamin G. Barton	300 00
„ „ Frau Cath. Nyron	500 00
„ „ Carl M. Eckert	400 00
„ „ Anna Ibell	100 00
„ „ Hrn. James Monroe	1000 00
„ des verst. Hrn. Peter Seeger, Phila	5000 00
„ „ „ „ Johann Heinrich Oestreicher	25 00
„ „ „ „ Christian Würtemberger	25 00
„ der verst. Margaretha Schlotterer	25 00
„ des verst. Hrn. Lewis D. Beck	2000 00
„ „ „ „ Geo. W. Tyron	100 00
In Summa	$22,925 00

Von diesen bestimmte der verst. Herr Lewis D. Beck, daß das Vermächtniß von $2000.00 für den Neubau des Asyls verwendet werde, welches so geschehen ist 2000 00

Verbleiben	$20.925 00
Vom verst. Hrn. Wm. Freas, Barren Hill, $100.00 (nach Abzug der Staatssteuer)	$ 95 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Hrn. Abraham Schiedt	1000 00
„ der Frau Catharina Wolf	200 00
„ „ „ C. Laib (nach Abzug der Erbschaftssteuer)	237 50
„ „ „ Johanna Holderman, Norristown, Pa	50 00
„ des verst. Herrn John Messerschmidt, Reading, Pa	300 00
Geschenk von Hrn. Luther P. Keller, Phila	100 00
Das Vermächtniß des verst. Hrn. John E. Foz, Phila., ($3000.00 und Zinsen, nach Abzug der Staatssteuer)	2857 50
Von der verst. Frau Elisabeth Schneider, Phila	100 00
Geschenk von Frau Mary A. Calladay, Phila	300 00
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Frau C. McLaughlin	25 00
Das Vermächtniß des verst. Hrn. Johann Seffert ($500.00, nach Abzug der Erbsteuer)	475 00
Durch das Staatsobergericht bestätigt vom Gaßmanschen Vermächtniß	462 57
Vermächtniß des verst. Hrn. J. P. Sanner, Frackville, Pa., (mit Zinsen und Abzug der Erbsteuer)	191 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Hrn. E. Jonathan Deininger, Reading, Pa	250 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Isabella D. King, Frederick Co., Md	579 35
Durch die Herren Wm. L. Schaffer und John Welsh, Verwalter eines speciellen Fonds	415 75
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Frau Friedericke Mannal	100 00
Das Vermächtniß der verst. Mary A. Warner, Columbus, Ohio, durch den Executor, Hrn. Lewis Heyl	1000 00
Uebertrag	$ 29,763 67

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	Vortrag	$29,763 67
Vermächtniß der verst. Mary Bockius		150 00
Schlußbestätigung vom Gaßmanschen Vermächtniß		328 00
Vom Vermächtniß des verst. Ehrw. C. F. Heyer		150 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Lydia Benner, Norristown $1500.00, weniger Erbsteuer		1428 75
Vom Verkauf des Buches „Heilsbotschaft," von Ehrw. W. J. Mann verfaßt		601 65
		$32,322 07

Zu diesen kam im Jahre 1886:

Lebenslängliche Andenkens-Mitglieds-Einlage, Frau Maria M. Knecht	$100 00	
Vom Vermächtniß der verst. Dorothea Hawk $100.00, weniger Erbsteuer ($5)	95 00	
Zusatz der Executoren zum Vermächtniß des verst. Wm. Freas...	5 00	
		200 00
		$32,522 07
Herr Johann Kuntz, Phila., kurz vor seiner Abreise nach Europa, schenkte der Anstalt einen Bond der Pa. Canal Co.		$1000 00
Andenksgabe durch Hrn. Theodor C. Engel (für sich und seine Geschwister), zum Andenken an ihre Mutter, Frau Catharina J. Engel (eine der Visitatorinnen)		1000 00
Vermächtniß des verst. John V. Meckert, Pottstown		10 00
		$34,532 07

Einkünfte vom 13. April 1886 bis 16. April 1887.

Collecte bei der Jahresfeier am 12. April 1886 in der St. Marks-Kirche, Phila., Ehrw. Pastor S. Laird D. D.	$ 55 45
Von Kirchen und kirchlichen Vereinen	1916 22
Von Sonntagschulen	851 75
Gaben gesammelt und eingereicht von Frauen-Besuchenden, Verwaltungsratsmitgliedern, Superintendent und Schatzmeister	816 29
Ostergaben zum Andenken von Lucie R. Evans, Pottstown, im Jahre 1886 und in diesem Jahre, je $50.00	100 00
Inhalt der Gabenkästen im Waisenhaus und Asyl	43 50
Erlös von Arbeiten in der Anstalt	21 69
Von Lesern der kirchlichen Zeitungen, Herold und Zeitschrift, Lutherisches Kirchenblatt, The Lutheran, Busy Bee, Jugendfreund, Missionsbote, Siloah, Church Messenger, The Workman, Jugendblätter, Missionary, 2c.	62 00
Zinsen vom zinsbringenden Kapital	1694 00
Zinsen für 1 Jahr (durch den Kirchenrat der St. Johannis-Kirche, Phila.) des Vermächtnisses des verst. Hern Carl F. Wernle	30 00
Von „Kleinen Gebern"	15 00
Synodal-Beitrag (für das Asyl)	50 00
Von Hrn. John L. Bremer, Boston, Danksagungstagsgabe	250 00
Von seinen Kindern	30 00
Von litterarischen und gesellschaftlichen Vereinen	250 00
Für den 4. Juli speziell geschenkt	25 00
Collecte bei der Weihnachtsfeier in der Anstalt	91 65
Uebertrag	$6,802 55

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		Vortrag $6,302 55
Am Gabentag (1886):		
Gaben in Geld in den Gemeinden	$1803 04	
„ „ „ außerhalb den Gemeinden	503 25	
Vom Verkauf von dazu geschenkten Gegenständen	143 25	
„ „ von Kuchen, Candies, Ice Cream, Blumen 2c	134 98	
„ „ von Limonade 2c	20 95	
„ „ von lithographischen Bildern	3 25	
Für Aufbewahrung von Kleidern u. s. w	3 55	
Vom Verkauf der Supper Tickets und an der Tafel erhalten	658 32	
Profit an den Rail Road Excursion Tickets	85 80	
		$3356 39
		$9658 94

Ausgaben vom 13. April 1886 bis 16. April 1887.

Für Lebensmittel aller Art, Groceries	$1328 92
„ Brot	704 12
„ Milch	780 82
„ Fleisch	796 74
„ Gehalte des Superintendenten, Matrone und Lehrerinnen	1385 50
„ Löhne der Dienstboten und für Arbeit in der Anstalt	1258 64
„ Kohlen	1035 28
„ Kleider und Schuhe	256 23
„ Schulgeräthe	140 62
„ Fracht und Beförderung von Waaren und Gaben	201 80
„ Begräbnißkosten	142 33
„ Gas und anderes Licht	185 48
„ Reparaturen, Veränderungen und Verbesserungen am Eigenthum und Grundstück	623 61
„ Farm- und Garten-Kosten	128 47
„ Wasser-Rente	22 65
„ Arznei und Medikamente	130 32
„ Küchen- und Hausgeräthe	194 11
„ Möbel	170 60
Druckkosten, hauptsächlich des Jahresberichts	58 00
Für Hausreinigung	55 00
Specielle Kosten der Krankenwarte, nebst $40.00 an die Anstalt für schwachsinnige Kinder (2)	95 00
	$9694 24

Rekapitulation.

Bilanz am 13. April 1886	$ 58 25
Einkünfte	9658 94
	$9717 19
Ausgaben	9694 24
Bleibt in der Kasse	$22 95

Hochachtungsvoll

J. C. Fite.

Die Berichte wurden angenommen.

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Der Ehrw. Dr. Seiß verlas den Bericht der Special-Committee über die Seminarangelegenheit, welcher punktweise berathen und schließlich wie folgt lautend, angenommen wurde.

Bericht der Special-Committee über die Seminarangelegenheit.

Beschlossen 1., daß die berechtigten Beamten beauftragt und bevollmächtigt werden, den Ankauf des Grundstückes von 100 Fuß an der Boyer Straße, welches neben dem des Seminargrundstückes zu Mount Airy liegt, abzuschließen.

Beschlossen 2., daß nach dem Urtheil des Ministeriums das auf dem Seminargrunde zu Mt. Airy stehende Haupt-Wohngebäude für den künftigen Gebrauch des neuen Seminars mit den noch zu errichtenden Bauten verwendet werden soll, nachdem solche Veränderungen darin gemacht worden, wie sie dem Zwecke entsprechen mögen.

Beschlossen 3., daß ein einfaches Gebäude zusätzlich errichtet werde, in welchem für 100 Studenten Raum zum Wohnen und Schlafen vorhanden ist.

Beschlossen 4., daß die Lage, wie der Plan dieses Gebäudes von den Directoren im Verein mit den Professoren des Seminars bestimmt werde, und bezüglich der Localität darauf Rücksicht genommen werde, daß die Eröffnung einer Privatstraße durch die Seminar-Anlagen von der Boyer-Straße zur öffentlichen Hauptstraße ohne Hinderniß erfolgen kann.

Beschlossen 5., daß, sobald als $20,000 für Bauzwecke zur Verfügung stehen, die Bau-Committee angewiesen und ermächtigt ist, sowohl für den Neubau, als für die erforderlichen Veränderungen des schon vorhandenen Gebäudes Sorge zu tragen und die bestimmten Beamten des Ministeriums solche von der Bau-Kommittee geschlossene Contracte mit unterzeichnen, wenn es nöthig ist.

Beschlossen 6., daß bei dem Auf- oder Umbau der für den Seminarzweck bestimmten Räume gehörige Rücksicht genommen werde, um für einen Hausvater oder daselbst residirenden Professor Wohnung zu haben.

Beschlossen 7., daß die Gemeinden, welche für den Baufond des neuen Seminars Beiträge in Händen haben, aufgefordert werden, solche an den Agenten ohne Verzug auszuliefern und diejenigen Pastoren, deren Gemeinden noch nicht den ihnen auferlegten Beitrag zum Seminarbau entrichtet haben, aufgefordert werden, die Angelegenheit mit allem Ernste abermals vorzubringen, sowie auch solche Vorkehrungen zu treffen, mittelst welcher der rückständige Betrag baldmöglichst eingeliefert werden kann.

Beschlossen 8., daß es den Conferenzen zur Aufgabe gemacht wird, genaue Erkundigungen einzuziehen, was in ihren Gemeinden für die Sicherung des je von ihnen zu leistenden Beitrags geschehen ist, ferner auch die den Conferenzen zustehende Aufsichtspflicht zu dem Zwecke auszuüben, daß in allen dazu gehörigen Gemeinden die Sammlung der Beiträge zum Schlusse kommt und so lange Anstrengungen gemacht werden, bis der ganze Betrag entrichtet ist.

Der Bericht der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars wurde nun als Ganzes angenommen.

Vertagt. Gebet von Ehrw. G. D. Bernheim, D. D.

Neunte Sitzung.

Mittwoch, den 8. Juni, 9 Uhr V. M.

Eröffnet mit Gebet von Pastor E. H. Pohle. Die Verhandlungen der achten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

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Dr. B. M. Schmucker verlas den

Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Die neunzehnte Versammlung des General-Concils wurde in der Trinitatis-Kirche zu Chicago gehalten und es war für unsre Delegaten von hohem Interesse die neue schöne, von der Gemeinde errichtete Kirche zu betrachten, an deren dauerndem Bestand dieses Ministerium so reichlich mitgewirkt hat. Neunzehn Geistliche und acht Laien bildeten unsere Delegation. Die Versammlung bestand aus 64 Geistlichen und 31 Laien-Delegaten. Auch waren 20 Pastoren, die in Glaubensgemeinschaft mit dem Concil stehen, als Gäste anwesend. Es ist zu beklagen, daß von den 34 Laien, einschließlich der Stellvertreter, die zur Vertretung dieses Ministeriums ernannt wurden, nur acht gegenwärtig waren.

Die folgenden Punkte in den Verhandlungen beanspruchen die Aufmerksamkeit dieses Körpers. Die Vice-Präsidenten des Concils wurden instruirt, die Aufmerksamkeit der Pastoren und Gemeinden ihrer betreffenden Synoden auf das Amt und die Wirksamkeit der Diakonissen und die Gründung eines Mutterhauses zur Ausbildung für solches Werk in der Ev.-Luth. Kirche zu dem Zwecke zu lenken, um ein regeres Interesse unter ihnen zu wecken und dadurch mitzuwirken, daß Glieder gewonnen werden, die es für eine Pflicht und ein Vorrecht erachten, sich diesem gesegneten Werke der Barmherzigkeit zu weihen und dafür vorzubereiten. Ihre Delegaten legen diese Sache dem Ministerium hiermit vor, da dasselbe keinen Vice-Präsidenten hat, indem eines unserer Glieder selbst Präsident des Concils ist.

Die Berichte der Committeen, denen die Einheimische-, Heiden- und Emigranten-Mission anvertraut ist, nahmen viel Zeit in Anspruch und füllen viele Blätter der Verhandlungen: Es ist vielleicht unnötig auch nur eine kurze Uebersicht ihrer Arbeiten zu geben, da die vollständigen Verhandlungen des Concils einem jeden Gliede dieses Körpers zugesandt sind.

Die Entscheidung über das Eigenthumsrecht am englischen Kirchenbuch, welche von unserem Ministerium in seiner letzten Sitzung getroffen und dem Concil zur Genehmigung vorgelegt wurde, ward angenommen und beschlossen, daß der Gewinn in Händen und der zu erwartende von diesem Ministerium für Zwecke der Vervollständigung und fernere Publication dieses Buches reservirt und verwendet werde solle.

Der Bericht der Committee über Statistik verlangt unsere Berücksichtigung. Derselbe lautet:

Die Committee, welche bei der letzten Versammlung des General-Concils dazu ernannt wurde, ein einheitliches System der Parochialberichte für die Districts-Synoden in Vorschlag zu bringen, hat die Angelegenheit erwogen und geprüft. Es scheint ihr geraten, vorläufig nichts weiter anzustreben, als eine gleichmäßige Methode in der Zählung der Glieder unserer Gemeinden angelegentlichst zu empfehlen. Sie erlaubt sich demnächst folgende Vorschläge zu machen:

Beschlossen, daß jede Synode ersucht werde, in ihren Parochialberichten eine Rubrik „für confirmirte Glieder" oder „für Communions-Berechtigte" herzustellen, und daß seitens der Pastoren alles aufgeboten werde, diese Rubrik richtig auszufüllen.

Beschlossen, daß jede Synode ersucht werde, einen Secretär für Statistik zu ernennen, welcher die Sammlung des ganzen Stoffs für die Parochialberichte und die Herstellung letzterer für die Synodal-Verhandlungen zu besorgen habe.

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Eine Committee wurde ernannt, die verschiedenen Erklärungen über Luthers Kleinen Katechismus, welche Aufnahme gefunden haben, zu prüfen und solche auszuwählen, die der Empfehlung werth und für den Gebrauch am nützlichsten sind, beides in deutscher und englischer Sprache.

In Bezug auf Frauenarbeit in der Kirche wurde der folgende Beschluß gefaßt:

1. Daß Frauen-Vereine in unsern Gemeinden gegründet werden.

2. Daß alle Districts-Synoden gebeten werden, eine stehende Committee einzusetzen, deren Pflicht es sein soll, von Jahr zu Jahr über diese Vereine und deren Beiträge an ihre Synode zu berichten.

Der nachstehende Finanz-Plan für Missionsarbeit wurde vorgelegt und den Synoden überwiesen.

1. Die Committee für Heiden-Mission und die verschiedenen Committeen für einheimische Mission sollen ungefähr die Summen angeben, welche sie zur Ausführung ihres Werkes das Jahr hindurch benöthigen.

2. Es soll eine Committee ernannt werden, welches diese für das gesammte Missionswerk erforderlichen Summen nach bestem Ermessen auf die einzelnen Districts-Synoden vertheilt.

3. Die Vice-Präsidenten des General-Concils, als Präsidenten der Districts-Synoden, sollen die einzelnen zugetheilten Summen ihren Synoden vorlegen und zusehen, daß für das Aufbringen dieser Summen Sorge getragen werde.

4. Die Art und Weise der Beschaffung der zuertheilten Summen soll den Districts-Synoden überlassen bleiben, desgleichen die Bestimmung der Größe der an die verschiedenen Committeen abzugebenden Beträge.

5. Die Committee empfiehlt folgende Einrichtungen, sofern dieselben nicht bereits bestehen:

a) Die Organisation von Frauenvereinen in den Gemeinden unter Aufsicht des Kirchenraths.

b) Planmäßige Geldsammlungen für Missionszwecke in den Sonntagschulen.

c) Geldsammlungen für Missionszwecke in allen Gemeinden zu besonders zu bestimmenden Zeitpunkten.

6. Alle Synoden sollen ersucht werden, das ganze einheimische Missionswerk innerhalb und außerhalb ihrer Grenzen an die Committeen des General-Concils zu übertragen.

7. Sobald diese Uebertragung gutgeheißen ist, soll ein Secretär für einheimische Mission ernannt werden, welcher seine ganze Zeit der Ueberwachung des einheimischen Missionswerks widmet.

8. Ueber die gesammte Arbeit der verschiedenen Committeen soll dem General-Concil ausführlich berichtet und dieser Bericht im Protocoll veröffentlicht oder je nach Gutdünken in einer für die Vertheilung geeigneten Form gedruckt werden.

Bei einer Prüfung der Constitution stellte sich heraus, daß dieser Körper zu 19 geistlichen und ebenso vielen Laien-Abgeordneten berechtigt ist, während nur auf die Zahl 17 in der Ernennung gerechnet worden war. Ihre Delegation glaubte sich berechtigt, die so ermittelten Plätze, nachdem sie darauf aufmerksam gemacht worden, durch zwei Stellvertreter, die ordentlich erwählt und

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gegenwärtig waren, zu füllen. 18 Geistliche und 19 Laien-Abgeordnete sollten von diesem Ministerium, seiner Gliederzahl nach, bei Eröffnung der gegenwärtigen Sitzung gewählt werden.

Die nächste Versammlung des General-Concils wird in der Kirche der Heiligen Dreieinigkeit, Ehrw. J. A. Kunkelman, D. D., Pastor, in Greenville, Mercer Co., Penna., am 8. September 1887, stattfinden.

Die Synode schritt zuerst zur Wahl der Delegaten und der Stellvertreter. Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte als Committee die Stimmen entgegenzunehmen, die Pastoren: D. Sanner, Ph. Pfatteicher, M. C. Horine, J. F. Ohl, W. C. L. Lauer und die Herren C. R. Lantz Esq., W. G. Heller und Geo. C. Böhm.

Hierauf wurde der Bericht zur Erörterung vorgenommen. Bezüglich des ersten Punktes, die Diakonissensache, wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Aufmerksamkeit unserer Pastoren und Gemeinden wieder auf dieses wichtige Werk gelenkt werde, das bis dahin so reichlich vom Herrn gesegnet worden ist, und daß unsere Pastoren ersucht seien, so weit es in ihren Kräften steht, passende Personen aus der Zahl der confirmirten Gemeindeglieder für den Diakonissendienst zu gewinnen.

Punkt 2, der Bericht der Delegaten über das Werk der Einheimischen-, Heiden- und Emigrantenmission wurde angenommen.

Punkt 3. Eigenthumsrecht am englischen Kirchenbuch &c. Angenommen.

Der "Church Book"-Committee wurden noch die Pastoren J. F. Ohl und F. F. Bürmeyer zugegeben.

Bezüglich der Empfehlung des General-Concils, daß eine jede Synode einen Secretär für Statistik ernenne, wurde

Beschlossen, daß gemäß dieser Empfehlung des General-Concils, ein Secretär für Statistik, oder Statistiker ernannt werde.

Pastor J. W. Early wurde zu diesem Amt ernannt.

In Verbindung mit der Empfehlung über Frauen-Vereine berichtete Pastor Enoch Smith, Vorsitzer der Committee, Folgendes über

Die Frauenarbeit in der Kirche.

Die Committee ist nicht bereit, einen Bericht vorzulegen, der das ganze Gebiet der geordneten Frauenarbeit in der Kirche umfaßt, sie möchte jedoch die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf die Empfehlung des General-Concils lenken, daß Frauen-Vereine in den Gemeinden gegründet werden.

Die Committee legt hiemit eine Constitution für solche Vereine vor, welche in der englischen St. Markus-Kirche zu Philadelphia im Gebrauch ist und unsern Gemeinden empfohlen werden kann.

Achtungsvoll

E. Smith,
L. H. Gable,
B Sadtler,
A. R. Groff,
B. M. Schmucker.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß die gegenwärtige Committee, die Committee für das kommende Jahr sein soll.

Die Weiterberathung des Berichtes der Delegaten an das Concil wurde bis zur Nachmittags-Sitzung aufgeschoben.

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Hierauf verlas Pastor E. E. Sibole den

Bericht der Committee für englische Stadtmission in Philadelphia.

Die unter der Aufsicht der Committee stehenden Missionen sind folgende: **St. Peters, Reed Straße,** unterhalb der Neunten, Ehrw. E. R. Cassaday, Pastor. Communicanten 225; Zunahme während des Jahres 29; Verluste durch Tod und auf andere Weise 11; durchschnittlicher Besuch der Gottesdienste 175; Zunahme 40. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $9,000. Gemeindeschuld $600. Abnahme $800; Collecten für alle Zwecke $1,328.73. Sonntagschüler 300. Synodal-Unterstützung $300. Die Gemeinde hat eine Missionsgesellschaft, die einen Schüler in Indien erhält. In der Kasse ist ungefähr die Hälfte des Geldes, die der Gemeinde zugetheilt wurde für den Bau des neuen Seminars.

Epiphanias-Kirche in Camden, N. J., Ehrw. C. K. Binder, Pastor. Communicanten 117; Zunahme 14; Verluste 3; Durchschnittsbesuch 75; Zunahme 5. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $11,000; Gemeindeschuld $4,000; Collecten für alle Zwecke $2,998.73. Sonntagschulkinder 160; Zunahme 10. Synodal-Unterstützung $300. Die Mission steht im Begriff eine Kapelle zu bauen, die ungefähr $8,500 kosten wird.

Advents-Kirche, Fünfte Straße und Cumberland Ave., Ehrw. J. F. C. Fluck, Pastor. Communicanten 261; Zunahme 42; Verluste durch Tod und sonst 5; Durchschnittsbesuch 171; Zunahme 17. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $11,500; Gemeindeschuld $6,266; Abnahme $650; Collecten für alle Zwecke $2,509.93. Sonntagschulkinder 350; Zunahme 27. Synodal-Unterstützung $300. Neben dem Geld für die Mission gesammelt, sind auch Subscriptionen von mehr als $1000 zur Verminderung der Kirchenschuld eingegangen.

St. Paulus-Kirche, 22. Straße und Columbia Ave., Ehrw. R. M. Zimmerman, Pastor. Communicanten 260; Zunahme 53; Verluste 13; Durchschnittsbesuch 132. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $12,000; Gemeindeschuld — weniger Geld in der Kasse $4,442; Abnahme $1,658; Collekten für alle Zwecke $3,957.31. Sonntagschulkinder 265; Zunahme 15. Synodal-Unterstützung $300.

Christus-Kirche, Chestnut Hill, Ehrw. C. J. Hirzel, Pastor. Communicanten 98; Zunahme 1; Verluste 7; Durchschnittsbesuch 65. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $15,000; Schuld $3,500; Collecten $1,313.10. Sonntagschulkinder 127. Synodal-Unterstützung $300. Die Vergrößerung der Schuld kommt vom Bau eines Pfarrhauses her.

Es muß gesagt werden, daß wenn alles bedacht und betrachtet wird, zeigt dieses englische Missionswerk unter der Aufsicht ihrer Committee, erfreuliche Fortschritte mit vielen Beweisen des göttlichen Segens.

Die Committee hat auch die Gründung neuer Missionsgemeinden in den ausliegenden Districten der Stadt in Berathung gehabt, fühlte sich aber gedrungen wegen Geldmangel davon abzustehen.

Achtungsvollst unterbreitet

E. E. Eibole, Secretär.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

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Der Ehrw. Dr. Mann verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Dr. Mann's und Dr. Krotel's Katechismus-Erklärung.

Ihre Committee war bei der letztjährigen Synodalversammlung in der Lage, einen Fortschritt in der ihr aufgetragenen Arbeit zu berichten.

Auf ernstliche und wiederholte Bitten an die Glieder der Synode, uns ihre Wünsche bezüglich Veränderungen der jetzt autorisirten Katechismus-Erklärung mitzutheilen, kamen uns weniger als ein Halbdutzend Antworten zu, gaben uns aber genügende Ueberzeugung, daß es, um den Forderungen gerecht zu werden, eines neuen und bedeutend kürzeren Buches bedürfe.

In Erwägung der Thatsache, daß viele Glieder unserer Synode es vorziehen, sich des lutherischen Textes ohne Erklärung, aber mit Bibelstellen zu bedienen, und andere aber die Katechismus-Erklärungen anderer Verfasser vorziehen, kamen wir zu dem Schlusse, daß es uns nicht gelingen würde, in der von uns im Jahre 1863 verfaßten Erklärung solche Veränderungen zu machen, welche dieselbe allgemeiner annehmbar machen würde.

Hiezu kommt, daß die Allgemeine Kirchenversammlung bei ihrer letzten Versammlung Schritte that, um zugleich mit der Herstellung eines allgemeinen Kirchen-Gebetbuchs für die General-Synode des Südens, die des Nordens und die Allgemeine Kirchenversammlung, eine möglichst vollkommene Uebersetzung von Luthers Kleinem Katechismus und von der Augsburgischen Confession herzustellen und da sie auch ein Committee ernannte, aus vorhandenen Erklärungen des Kleinen Katechismus Luthers die empfehlenswerthesten auszulesen in Deutsch und Englisch und darüber an die Allgemeine Kirchenversammlung zu berichten; so wurden wir in unserer Ueberzeugung bestärkt, daß wir nichts Besseres thun können, als die Synode zu bitten, uns der uns gestellten Aufgabe gütigst entheben zu wollen.

Hochachtungsvoll die Committee,

W. J. Mann,
G. F. Krotel.

Philadelphia, Juni 1887.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß der Text des Mann-Krotelschen Katechismus (deutsche Ausgabe) nach dem Text des Kirchenbuchs umgeändert werde.

Beschlossen, daß die Kirchenbuch-Committee beauftragt werde, dafür zu sorgen, daß die nöthigen Veränderungen gemacht werden.

Pastor F. P. Bender verlas den Bericht der Committee über Conferenz-Verhandlungen.

Der Bericht wurde jedoch an die Committee zurückgewiesen und dieselbe ersucht, in der Nachmittag-Sitzung über eine Angelegenheit, die von ihr übersehen wurde, zu berichten.

Pastor Schantz verlas den

Bericht der Besucher des Emmaus Waisenhauses.

Die von der Synode ernannte Committee besuchte das Emmaus Waisenhaus zu Middletown, Pa., Freitags, den 20. Mai 1887. Da die Committee

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im vergangenen Jahre die zur Anstalt gehörigen Ländereien einer ziemlich ausgedehnten Inspection unterworfen hatte, so glaubte sie in diesem Jahre davon absehen zu können, und widmete ihre Zeit einer Prüfung der Kinder und einer Besichtigung des Gebäudes. Die Committee spricht hiermit ihre große Befriedigung aus über das Resultat des mit den Kindern vorgenommenen Examens, sowie über den Zustand des Hauses. 34 Kinder wurden im vergangenen Jahre in der Anstalt unterhalten. Herr W. A. Croll ist der Principal und Prof. George Laumann der Lehrer in der Anstalt.

Folgende Mitglieder der Committee waren bei der Besichtigung gegenwärtig: Die Pastoren F. J. F. Schantz und J. G. Pfuhl und die Herren George Reinöhl und F. W. Liesmann.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und die bisherige Committee, mit Ausnahme des Herrn Chas. A. Schäffer, wieder ernannt.

Pastor Schantz berichtete, daß der volle Gehalt des deutschen Professors im Mühlenberg-Collegium durch Unterschriften gesichert sei.

Die bisherige Committee über die Fundirung der deutschen Professur, bestehend aus den Pastoren F. J. F. Schantz, G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D., und S. A. Ziegenfuß, wurde wieder ernannt.

Pastor J. H. Neiman verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Aufnahme von Gemeinden,

welcher in folgender Fassung angenommen wurde:

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich zu berichten, daß drei Gemeinden um Aufnahme in die Synode nachgesucht haben, nämlich:

1. Die Kreuz-Gemeinde in Philadelphia, Pa.
2. Die Christus-Gemeinde zu Cramer Hill, N. J.
3. Die slavonische St. Peters und St. Pauls-Gemeinde in Freeland, Pa.

Wir haben die Constitutionen dieser Gemeinden und die Incorporations-Acte der St. Peter-Paul-Gemeinde durchgesehen und nichts gefunden, das nicht im Einklang ist mit dem Geiste der Gemeinde-Ordnung welche die Synode empfohlen hat — und empfehlen darum die Aufnahme dieser Gemeinden.

Beschlossen, daß das Gesuch der St. Peter-Paul-Gemeinde zu Freeland, Pa., und der Christus-Gemeinde zu Cramer Hill, N. J., um Unterstützung ihrer Pastoren an die Executiv-Committee verwiesen werde.

Achtungsvoll

B. D. Zweizig,
T. Steck,
J. H. Neiman,
B. S. Small,
P. Snyder,
A. M. Keller.

Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., brachte folgende Vorschläge ein, welche angenommen wurden:

Da der Ehrw. Samuel Laird, D. D., Schatzmeister des Evangelisch-Lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten, besagtes Ministerium benachrichtigt hat, daß er Pastor Reuben Hill von Philadelphia als seinen gesetzlichen Vertreter während seiner Abwesenheit in Europa ernannt habe, um Bankanweisungen auf deponirte Gelder des besagten Pastors Samuel Laird, D. D., Schatzmeister, auszustellen, welche in der Philadelphia

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Truſt und Safe Compagnie und der Mechanics National Bank in Philadelphia deponirt ſind, und ebenſo Gelder daſelbſt für ihn zu deponiren, Bankanweiſungen zu endoſſiren und zu deponiren, deshalb ſei

Beſchloſſen, daß dieſes Miniſterium hierdurch dieſe Ernennung billigt, vorausgeſetzt, daß dieſe Billigung den beſagten Schatzmeiſter nicht in irgend einer Weiſe der Verbindlichkeiten unter ſeinem Bond enthebt und daß er für die Handlungen ſeines Vertreters verantwortlich iſt.

Beſchloſſen, daß während der Abweſenheit des Ehrw. Samuel Laird, D. D., Schatzmeiſter des obengenannten Miniſteriums in Europa, nämlich vom 15. Juni 1887 bis zum 1. November 1887, der Ehrw. Reuben Hill von Philadelphia ermächtigt iſt, als geſetzlicher Vertreter beſagten Miniſteriums und im Namen deſſelben irgend welche Pfandbriefe oder Judgments zu löſchen, welche dieſes Miniſterium als Sicherheiten hält, nachdem derſelbe den vollen Betrag, auf welches dieſelben lauten, erhalten hat.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Paſtor J. H. Fritz.

Zehnte Sitzung.

Mittwoch, den 8. Juni, 2 Uhr Nachm.

Eröffnet durch Paſtor J. Hilpot.

Nach Verleſung und Annahme der Verhandlungen der neunten Sitzung wurde der

Bericht der Committee über Conferenz-Verhandlungen

(Siehe 9. Sitzung) zur Berathung aufgenommen. Derſelbe lautet:

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll wie folgt:

I. Verſammlungen.

Alle Conferenzen hielten im Laufe des Jahres die regelmäßigen halbjährlichen Verſammlungen, mit Ausnahme der Erſten, in welcher wegen der Extra-Verſammlung der Synode die Winter-Sitzung ausfiel.

II. Gegenſtände von der Synode an die Conferenzen verwieſen.

1. Sicherſtellung von werthvollen Documenten.

Die I. Conferenz berichtet durch ihren Secretär, daß alle werthvolle Documente derſelben ſich in den Händen des Archivarius der Synode befinden.

Die IV. Conferenz bittet die Ehrw. Synode um Abänderung des Artikels in der neuen Conſtitution, der die Ueberreichung, beſonders der Protocollbücher der Conferenzen, an den Archivarius der Synode vorſchreibt.

2. Sicherung und Aufbringung des Geldes für das neue Seminar.

Die I. Conferenz inſtruirte die betreffende Committee, bis zur nächſten Verſammlung der Conferenz genau die Summe des für dieſen Zweck durch die Paſtoren oder Gemeinden collectirten oder doch geſicherten Geldes zu erfahren, und zweitens, das Verhältniß des Geſicherten, zu der ganzen Summe, welche

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von der Executiv-Committee der Synode unserer Conferenz auferlegt wurde, anzugeben.

Die II. Conferenz berichtete Fortschritt in dieser Richtung und die betreffende Committee wurde entlassen.

Die III. Conferenz zog den Gegenstand in ernste Erwägung, jedoch ohne darüber abzustimmen.

Die V. Conferenz fordert durch besonderen Beschluß alle ihre Pastoren dringend auf, wenn möglich, bis zur Versammlung der Synode die ihren Gemeinden auferlegten Summen aufzubringen.

3. Die deutsche Conferenz.

Die I. Conferenz hatte eine lange und ernste Debatte über diesen Gegenstand, jedoch ohne Abstimmung darüber.

Die III. Conferenz erachtet eine solche Conferenz als ganz und gar unschicklich, spricht sich aber aus für eine deutsche Synode.

Die IV. Conferenz mißbilligt ebenfalls die Formirung einer deutschen Conferenz.

III. Gegenstände von den Conferenzen an die Synode verwiesen.

Die II. Conferenz passirte den folgenden Beschluß:

Beschlossen, daß wir als eine Conferenz die Synode bitten, ihren Pastoren und Gemeinden einen Müh-lenberg Memorial Gottesdienst anzurathen, etwa im October, und daß die sämmtlichen Collecten des Tages der Deutschen Professur im Mühlenberg-College zu Allentown, Pa., zu Gute kommen sollen.

Die II. Conferenz hielt eine Special-Versammlung zu Bethlehem, Pa., am 14. März 1887, um Anklagen gegen Pastor J. W. Klingler in Erwägung zu ziehen. Nach ernster und eingehender Untersuchung, fand die Conferenz die Klagen wohl begründet und schlug dem Ehrw. Präsidenten der Synode vor, den betreffenden Bruder zu suspendiren.

IV. Vorschläge der Committee.

In Bezug auf den letzten Punkt schlägt die Committee der Synode vor, daß das Verfahren der II. Conferenz gutgeheißen werde.

F. P. Bender, Secretär der I. Conferenz.
J. W. Bieber, deutscher Secr. der II. Conferenz.
J. N. E. Erb, Secretär der III. Conferenz.
H. N. Fegley, Secretär der IV. Conferenz.
J. H. Neiman, Secretär der V. Conferenz.

Die einzelnen Punkte des Berichtes wurden berathen und angenommen und der Bericht dann als Ganzes angenommen.

Punkt 4 im Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht wurde sodann in Erwägung gezogen und

Beschlossen, daß die Suspension des bisherigen Pastors J. W. Klingler bis zur nächsten Versammlung der Synode in Kraft bleiben soll.

Pastor M. C. Horine berichtete die Wahl folgender

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Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. F. Krotel D. D. von Amtswegen,	Herr W. H. Staake, Esq.,
„ J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D.,	Prof. R. K. Bührle,
„ B. M. Schmucker, D. D.,	Herr A. W. Potteiger,
„ A. Späth, D. D.,	„ Henry Beates,
„ H. E. Jacobs, D. D.,	„ W. Hauff,
„ J. Fry, D. D.,	Prof. S. P. Sadtler,
„ W. J. Mann, D. D.,	Herr C. R. Lantz, Esq.,
„ H. Grahn,	„ C. D. Norton,
„ F. J. F. Schantz,	„ A. Bendel,
„ D. H. Geissinger,	„ R. A. Bär,
„ M. C. Horine,	„ W. G. Heller,
„ G. F. Spieker, D. D.,	„ Heinrich Lehman,
„ J. F. Ohl,	„ Jacob Fegley,
„ S. A. Repaß, D. D.,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ T. L. Seip, D. D.,	„ J. J. Mohr,
„ G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.,	„ J. B. Zimmele,
„ C. J. Cooper,	„ L. H. Ließ,
„ J. J. Kündig,	„ J. A. Geissenhainer, Esq.,
„ Enoch Smith.	„ Carl Kopitzsch.

Folgende wurden erwählt als

Stellvertreter an das General-Concil.

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. D. Bernheim, D. D.,	Herr Chas. H. Schäffer, Esq.,
„ B. W. Schmauk,	„ Geo. Lutz,
„ E. E. Sibole,	„ Wm. H. Kuntz,
„ Ph. Pfatteicher,	„ Friedrich Bauer,
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß,	„ J. W. Holman,
„ C. W. Schäffer, D. D. LL. D.,	Achtb. Daniel M. Fox,
„ J. W. Early,	Herr Alfred G. Säger,
„ F. F. Bürmeyer,	„ C. B. Opp,
„ J. M. Anspach,	„ P. B. Breinig, M. D.,
„ F. W. Weiskotten,	„ Wm. H. Weinsheimer,
„ F. Wischan,	„ G. A. Schlechter,
„ H. B. Strodach,	„ Prof. D. Garber,
„ J. N. S. Erb,	„ „ D. S. Boyer,
„ Wm. Ashmead Schäffer,	„ A. G. Saylor,
„ G. A. Strunz,	„ J. Zehner,
„ J. E. Nidecker,	„ M. Langenstein,
„ L. Lindenstruth,	„ M. K. Erdman,
„ J. Kohler,	„ B. F. Ward,
„ O. P. Smith.	„ R. B. Miller.

Pastor E. E. Sibole, Vorsitzer der Committee über Parochial-Berichte, stattete einen kurzen Bericht ab, welcher angenommen wurde.

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Pastor F. Wischan verlas den

Bericht der Publications-Committee.

Es waren vom English Church Book vorräthig in Bogen 1650. Eine Auflage von 2080 wurde diesem Vorrath zugefügt. Eine weitere Auflage ist bestellt.

Vom Benner Sumneytown Katechismus war der Vorrath genügend.

Die kleine Format-Auflage des deutschen Gesangbuches, bekannt als das Wollenweber Gesangbuch, hat eine große Nachfrage und wurden dem Vorrath zwei Auflagen von je 3000 zugefügt.

Des Schatzmeisters Bericht zeigt den jetzigen Vorrath.

Werth des Vorraths:

I. English Church Book	$ 33 60
II. Benner's Sumneytown Katechismus	31 51
III. Deutsches Gesangbuch	848 58
Summa	$913 69

Bericht des Schatzmeisters der Publications-Committee des Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien.

I. English Church Book.

Bogen an Hand laut letztem Bericht	1650
Es wurde eine Auflage zugefügt von	2080
	3730
Verkauft wurden	3500
Vorrath	230
Vom Verkauf von 3500 waren die Einkünfte	$1050 00
Die Druckkosten der 2080 waren	284 96
An den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt	$765 04

II. Benners Sumneytown Katechismus.

Bogen an Hand laut letztem Bericht	1700
Verkauft	500
Vorrath	1200
Einkünfte der 500 verkauften Bogen	$25 00
An den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt	$25 00

III. Deutsches Gesangbuch, bekannt als das Wollenweber Gesangbuch.

	16mo. Groß-Format.	32mo. Klein-Format.
Letzter Bericht: In Bogen	1750	2679
Gedruckt	.....	6000
	1750	8679
Verkauft in Bogen	125	1734
	1625	6945
Gebunden	951	3765
Vorrath	676 in Bogen	3180

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	Gebunden 16mo.	32mo.
Letzter Bericht	746	1027
Zusatz	951	3765
	1697	4792
Verkauft	1348	3125
Vorrath	349	1667

Einkünfte für 125 Bogen 16mo., 1734 Bogen 32mo. und gebunden 1348 der 16mo. und 3125 der 32mo Auflage		$3053 47
Ausbezahlt für Druckkosten der 6000 Klein-Format-Auflage. Binden der 951 Groß- und 3765 Klein-Format, Collatiren ꝛc. der 125 Groß- und 1734 in Klein-Format-Bogen	$1274 84	
Gehalt an den Agenten bezahlt	50 00	
Kleine Auslage	4 43	
		$1329 27
		$1724 20
An den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt		$1724 20

Also Bezahlungen an den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums für	
I. English Church Book	$765 04
II. Sumneytown Katechismus	25 00
III. Deutsches Gesangbuch	1724 20
In Summa	$2514 24

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Der Ehrw. W. P. Schwartz, von der Vereinigten Synode des Südens und lutherischer Missionar in Indien, wurde der Synode vorgestellt und machte einige Mittheilungen über das Missionswerk in Ostindien; auch lenkte er die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf eine von ihm hergestellte Karte, welche alle lutherischen Missionsstationen in Ostindien aufweist.

Pastor Schantz verlas folgenden

Bericht der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich achtungsvoll zu berichten, daß die ganze im letzten Jahr für die wohlthätigen Zwecke der Synode erhobene Summe, den Parochial-Berichten gemäß, sich auf $18,135.29 belief, während die Beiträge des vorhergehenden Jahres sich auf $18,633.20 bezifferten.

Tabelle No. II. zeigt die Summe der im verflossenen Jahre erwarteten Beiträge, ferner die bis dato berichteten Einzahlungen und die für das neu angetretene Jahr zugetheilten Auflagen.

Die für dieses Synodaljahr nöthigen Gelder sind für folgende Zwecke:

Synodalzwecke	$ 3000 00
Erziehung	6500 00
Theologisches-Seminar	1283 70
Uebertrag	$10,783 70

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Vortrag	$10783 70
Mühlenberg-Collegium	1000 00
Einheimische-Mission (Penna.-Synode)	7000 00
Stadtmission (Philadelphia)	
Heidenmission	3500 00
	$22,283 70

Achtungsvoll

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor H. Weickfel verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Entschuldigungen.

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll, daß folgende Brüder, entweder schriftlich oder mündlich ihre Entschuldigungen wegen gänzlicher oder theilweiser Abwesenheit bei der Synodalversammlung vorgelegt haben und solche als befriedigend anerkannt wurden. Wir empfehlen daher dem ehrw. Körper folgende Brüder zu entschuldigen: Ehrw. A. J. Weddell, O. C. Konrad, C. L. Erle, Wm. Wackernagel, D. D., H. Gieß, D. M. Martens, W. Rieb, J. W. Rumple, J. M. Hantz, J. Jäger, Wm. Gerhard, D. D., P. F. Zizelmann, W. B. Fox, H. S. Miller, J. H. Schmidt, D. D., C. S. Kohler, wie auch die Missionare in Indien, wegen gänzlicher; die Brüder, Ehrw. J. D. Schindel, U. P. Heilman, O. P. Smith, G. D. Foust, S. B. Stupp, H. N. Fegley, E. L. Reed, W. S. Emery, B. Sadtler, D. D., J. Fry, D. D., J. N. S. Erb, J. S. Renninger, J. L. Becker, J. M. Anspach, J. Gruhler, C. E. Sandt, D. Coleman, J. C. Schmidt, J. P. German, S. S. Henry, J. J. Kuntz, J. Neff, A. L. Yount, wie eine Anzahl Laiendelegaten, wegen theilweiser Abwesenheit, gütigst zu entschuldigen.

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Herrn J. C. File wurde gedankt für ein Geschenk von zwei Koffern für den Gebrauch der Secretäre der Synode.

Hierauf wurde die Berathung des Berichtes der Delegaten an das General-Concil fortgesetzt.

Ueber den im Bericht erwähnten, vom General-Concil vorgeschlagenen Plan, nach welchem das ganze einheimische Missionswerk in die Hände des General-Concils gelegt werden soll, legte Dr. Seiß folgende Vorschläge vor.

Als Antwort auf die vom General-Concil den einzelnen Synoden zur Erwägung vorgelegten Vorschläge, nach welchen das ganze einheimische Missionswerk im General-Concil concentrirt und in dessen Hände gelegt werden soll, sei

Beschlossen 1., daß dieses Ministerium den Plan, nach welchem das ganze einheimische Missionswerk in der angedeuteten Weise im General-Concil centralisirt werden soll, billigt.

Beschlossen 2., daß, sobald als das General-Concil die Anordnungen zu einer solchen Vereinigung vollendet hat, dieses Ministerium seine Zustimmung geben wird, seine einheimischen Missionen der Aufsicht des General-Concils zu übertragen.

Beschlossen 3., daß, indem dieses Ministerium in eine solche Uebertragung seiner einheimischen Missionen an das General-Concil einwilligt, es sich und sei-

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nen Conferenzen durch seine Executiv-Committee das Recht vorbehält, Missionsstationen innerhalb seiner Grenzen zur Unterstützung durch das deutsche oder englische einheimische Missions-Committee, je nachdem es der Fall erfordern mag, zu bezeichnen.

Beschlossen 4., daß, wenn das General-Concil die vorgeschlagene Einrichtung vollendet hat, dieses Ministerium in seine Zutheilungen an die Gemeinden solche Summen mit einschließen wird, für das allgemeine einheimische Missionswerk, die ihm als sein verhältnißmäßiger Antheil an der Unterstützung des allgemeinen Werkes mit Recht zufallen mögen.

Hierauf beschloß die Synode,

Daß diese Vorschläge und der Plan zur Ausführung des vom General-Concil und den mit ihm verbundenen Synoden betriebenen Missionswerkes an die Executiv-Committee zur sorgfältigen Erwägung verwiesen werden, und daß die Executiv-Committee gebeten werde, die deutsche wie die englische einheimische Missions-Committee einzuladen, sich mit ihr zu versammeln und über diese Angelegenheit zu berathen und daß die Executiv-Committee an die Synode bei der nächstjährigen Versammlung berichte.

Beschlossen, daß die Executiv-Committee ersucht werde, diese Arbeit vor der nächsten Versammlung des General-Concils zu thun und das Resultat ihrer Berathung dem General-Concil zu unterbreiten.

Die Examinations-Committee, welche letztes Jahr ernannt war, wurde für das kommende Jahr wieder ernannt, nämlich die Ehrw. Prof. A. Martin, D. D., J. Fry, D. D., G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D., G. F. Spieker, D. D., Benj. Sadtler, D. D., J. W. Haßler, J. Kohler, T. L. Seip, D. D., und J. J. Kündig.

Dr. A. Späth wurde als Delegat dieses Körpers an das New York Ministerium ernannt.

Eine Einladung, die nächste Versammlung der Synode in der Kirche der Heiligen Dreieinigkeit zu Lancaster, Pa., zu halten, wurde einstimmig angenommen.

Die Committee über Revision des Katechismus der Synode wurde entlassen.

Der in den Verhandlungen vom Jahre 1884 gedruckte Freibrief für Gemeinden (Charter) soll, laut Beschluß, in den diesjährigen Verhandlungen wieder gedruckt werden. (Siehe Anhang B.)

Die Committee über neue Ordinationsscheine soll fortbestehen.

Die folgende Finanz-Committee wurde ernannt, nämlich die Herren W. W. Kurtz, Vorsitzer, W. H. Staake und R. B. Miller.

Hierauf wurde

Beschlossen, daß wir dem Pastor und den Gliedern von Zion, sowie den andern Gemeinden für genossene Gastfreundschaft unsern herzlichen Dank aussprechen. Ebenso wurde dem Organisten und dem Singchor der Gemeinde für ihre Leistungen der Dank der Synode ausgedrückt.

Beschlossen, daß der täglichen Presse für getreue Berichterstattung, den Philadelphia und Reading, Pennsylvania und Lehigh Valley Eisenbahnen, für die Freundlichkeit des Verkaufs von Exkursionsbillets Dank ausgesprochen werde.

Beschlossen, daß die Secretäre ermächtigt seien, die nöthige Anzahl Exemplare der Verhandlungen drucken zu lassen.

Nachdem das Protocoll der zehnten und letzten Sitzung verlesen und an-

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genommen war, vertagte sich die Synode um 5 Uhr und wurde nach üblicher liturgischer Ordnung und mit Gesang aus dem Liede „Ein' feste Burg" beschlossen.

Die 141. Jahresversammlung wird gehalten in der ev.-luth. Kirche der Heiligen Dreieinigkeit in Lancaster, Pa., und beginnt am Donnerstag vor dem Trinitatisfeste, den 24. Mai 1888.

L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secretär.

Philadelphia, Pa., den 8. Juni 1887.

2. Ministerial-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

Zions-Kirche, Philadelphia, Pa.

Freitag, den 3. Juni 1887, Nachmittags halb 5 Uhr.

Eröffnet mit Gebet von Pastor C. F. Welden.

Pastor G. F. Spieker, D. D., Secretär der Examinations-Committee stattete folgenden Bericht ab:

Bericht der Examinations-Committee.

Ihre Committee hat ein Colloquium mit folgenden ordinirten Predigern gepflogen und empfiehlt ihre Aufnahme in das Ministerium:

Ehrw. Carl Augustus Hemsath von der Pittsburg-Synode;

Ehrw. Adolf Leroy Yount von der Pittsburg-Synode;

Ehrw. Friedrich Jelden von der Canada-Synode;

Ehrw. A. Cyrill Droppa.

Nachdem die Committee die Zeugnisse des Herrn Prof. Hermann V. Hilprecht von der Universität von Pennsylvanien geprüft hatte, entschied dieselbe,

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das übliche theologische Examen zu unterlassen und nach einem Colloquium wurde beschlossen, die Ordination des Herrn Dr. Hilprecht zu empfehlen.

Neunzehn Candidaten bestanden das von der Synode vorgeschriebene Examen. Es wurde beschlossen, ihre Ordination zu empfehlen.

Ihre Namen sind:

1. Alfred Johann Ludwig Breinig von Aegypten, Lehigh Co., Pa.;
2. Wilhelm Johann Finck von Wilmington, Del.;
3. David Laucks Fogleman von Womelsdorf, Pa.;
4. Johann Augustus Wilhelm Haas von New York, N. Y.;
5. Johann Heisler von Utica, N. Y.;
6. Wilhelm Daniel Kaspar Keiter von Allentown, Pa.;
7. Samuel Luther Keller von Virginien;
8. Elmer Frederick Krauß von Kraußdale, Lehigh Co., Pa.;
9. Hiram Josephus Kuder von Whitehall, Lehigh Co., Pa.;
10. James Oliver Leibensperger von Maxatawny, Berks Co., Pa.;
11. Oscar Erwin Pflüger von Allentown, Pa.;
12. James Jefferson Reitz von Lynnport, Lehigh Co., Pa.;
13. Georg James Schäffer von Emmaus, Lehigh Co., Pa.;
14. Georg Morris Scheidy von Allentown, Pa.;
15. Robert Morris Smith von Northampton Co., Pa.;
16. Samuel Georg Weiskotten von Syracuse, N. Y.;
17. Wilhelm Heinrich Zuber von Pottstown, Pa.;
18. Ernst Adolph Behrens von Deutschland;
19. Georg Kunkel von Broadheadsville.

Es wurde auch noch beschlossen, daß der Präsident der Synode autorisirt werde, Herrn Joseph Stump auf seinen Wunsch hin, da er noch keinen Ruf erhalten habe, ein Zeugnis auszustellen zum Beweis, daß derselbe in den verschiedenen Zweigen der Theologie das Examen bestanden hat, wie dasselbe von der Synode im Hinblick auf die Ordination vorgeschrieben ist.

A. Martin,
Präsident.

G. F. Spieker,
Secretär.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung entgegengenommmen und über die Aufnahme jedes Applicanten einzeln abgestimmt.

Die zur Aufnahme empfohlenen Pastoren wurden durch einstimmigen Beschluß in das Ministerium aufgenommen.

Die Empfehlung der Committee betreffs der Ordination des Herrn Dr. Hilprecht wurde angenommen und dessen Ordination beschlossen.

Deßgleichen wurde die Aufnahme in das Ministerium der 19 Predigtamts-Candidaten und deren Ordination am folgenden Dienstag Abend beschlossen.

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Die Empfehlung der Committee, daß der Ehrw. Präſident der Synode Herrn Joſeph Stump ein Examinations-Zeugniß ausſtelle, wurde angenommen.

Vertagt mit dem Vater Unſer.

Zweite Sitzung.

Montag, den 6. Juni, Nachmittags halb 6 Uhr.

Paſtor J. Kohler berichtete, daß Candidat Hermann Friedrich Adolph Hellwege, ein Zögling aus Kropp, angekommen und von der Examinations-Committee geprüft worden ſei, und von der Committee zur Ordination empfohlen werde. Es wurde hierauf

Beſchloſſen, daß Herr Hermann Friedrich Adolph Hellwege ebenfalls am Dienſtag Abend ordinirt werde.

Der Bericht der Examinations-Committee wurde nun als Ganzes angenommen. Vertagt mit dem Vater Unſer vom Präſidenten geleitet.

L. Lindenſtruth, deutſcher Secretär.

Philadelphia, Pa., den 6. Juni 1887.

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Tabelle No. 1.

Parochial-Berichte für das am Pfingstsonntag 1887 endigende Jahr.

Pastoren.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Abele, J. G.	1	159	119	11	11	.....	13	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	80	.....	.....	.....
„ Ander, T. R.	3	208	115	8	2	2	21	.....	14	1	.....	1	52	3	16	106	.....	.....	.....
„ Andres, W. J.	4	650	550	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	128	5	50	500
„ Anspach, J. M.	1	320	260	19	1	1	20	3	4	20	.....	.....	.....	1	30	330	.....	.....	.....
„ Apple, B. F.	1	180	180	6	13	2	46	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	25	135	.....	.....	.....
„ Bartholomew, D. D.	5	800	550	123	6	2	85	3	15	15	.....	.....	.....	2	20	260	5	27	350
„ Bauer, E. A.	1	600	550	66	.....	.....	182	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	50	500	.....	.....	.....
„ Becker, J. L.	3	1100	885	6	6	1	49	5	20	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Bender, F. P.	1	970	843	115	40	.....	260	3	13	3	.....	1	60	1	67	895	.....	.....	.....
„ Berkemeyer, F.	2	400	380	33	2	.....	20	4	6	3	.....	.....	.....	2	*25	*250	.....	.....	.....
„ Berndt, F. K. (1)	2	641	472	6	.....	.....	41	.....	11	25	.....	.....	.....	1	14	120	3	*35	350
„ Bernheim, G. D., D. D.	1	220	154	18	4	.....	20	5	6	3	1	.....	.....	1	37	250	.....	.....	.....
„ Bickel, L. J. (2)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	30	360	.....	.....	.....
„ Bieber, J. W.	2	1075	780	30	10	.....	44	.....	13	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	65	635
„ Bieber, W. J.	3	550	350	34	.....	.....	40	.....	18	7	.....	.....	.....	1	10	80	2	40	275
„ Binder, C. K.	1	117	75	10	4	.....	9	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	18	160	.....	.....	.....
„ Brownmiller, E. S.	4	700	600	30	3	1	25	9	4	1	.....	.....	.....	2	18	270	.....	.....	.....
„ Brügel, G. M.	4	700	600	28	.....	.....	28	.....	12	20	.....	.....	.....	2	20	120	13	50	500

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Ehrw.	Bruning, H. H.	1	210	165	4			38		1	3				1	23	130			
„	Bürmeyer, F. F.	1	90	82	11			7							1	10	125			
„	Cassaday, E. R.	1	225	200	20	4	5	38	3	5	6				1	20	300			
„	Coleman, D. L.	1	115	*100	4	3		6	1	1	6				1	12	125			
„	Creßmann, J. J.	3	650	590	50	10		19	1	13	12							3	55	450
„	Darmstätter, J.	1	225	175	16	3	4	13	1	5					1	17	150			
„	Darmstätter, J. A.	2	*290	260	10			25		10					2	18	154			
„	Deck, J. P.	1	334	280	20	5	3	14	3	8	3				1	36	275			
„	Dizinger, J. C.	1	400	375	32	16		72		9	2		1	40	1	25	300			
„	Droppa, A. C. (3)	1	600	452	2			14		3										
„	Drumheller, C. K.	1	210	181	28	2		28	1	6	3				1	25	200			
„	Early, J. W. (4)	3	250	160				1							1	12	60	1	8	50
„	Erb, J. N. S.	6	600	500	51	11		60		17	2				1	30	300	5	60	500
„	Erb, J. S.	4	670	590	30	20	4	45	1	4	3				3	45	420	2	13	170
„	Erdmann, A. E.	4	600	500	51	12		30	1	8	5	1			1	8	125	4	30	540
„	Erle, C. L.							2												
„	Fegley, H. R.	2	285	268	14	3		8	2	6	5				2	34	300			
„	Fegley, H. S.	5	800	592	31			39		11								8	60	800
„	Finfrock, A.	4	1245	855	51	4		87		23	6							6	75	725
„	Fluck, J. F. C	1	261	231	18	20	4	32		2	3				1	34	338			
„	Foust, G. D.	1	170	139	9	8	5	10	3	5	2				1	14	140			
„	Fox, W. B.	4	1150	986	69	10	3	89	3	32					1	25	150	6	75	850
„	Francis, S. A. K.	1	425	300	35	2	6	78	3	8	2				1	30	400			
„	Fry, J. D. D.	1	1150	872	65	9	6	44	4	18	10	1			3	100	1050			
„	Fry, C. L.	1	910	740	31	19	3	50	4	35	15				1	50	512			
„	Gable, Z. H.	6	1350	1120	62	5	2	115	8	16	2				2	30	280	6	55	600
„	Gardner, G. C.	1	547	291	26	10		56		9	20				1	33	265			
„	Gardner, G. F.	1	250	235	38		7	55	1	9	23				1	32	260			
„	Gauker, J. W.	4	370	337	23	6	3	32	4	9	2				1	15	100	3	52	244
„	Geiger, W. H.	4	516	393	17			36	1	11	1				2	26	123	2	21	254
„	Geissinger, D. H.	1	661	425	18	5	3	22	3	9	16				1	51	505			
„	Gerhart, E. H.	1	350	320	22	27	10	23	5	7	12				1	29	220			
„	Gerlach, R.	1	800	720	51		1	138		18	2	24			2	34	350			
„	German, J. P.	7	552	517	8	1		40		11	15				3	25	200	2	20	300
„	Geschwind, L. H.	1	149	100	20	20	2	8	2	2	9				1	21	180			
„	Gieß, H.	4	595	520	14	4		45	2	13					1	18	100	4	42	320

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Pastoren.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicantenzahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Glasow, P. F. A.	1	400	299	37	9	1	29		4	6		1	60	1	48	200			
„ Gräpp, A. R. J.	2	118	96		6	2	10		2	20				2	30	135			
„ Grahn, H.	1	*615	598	40			190	2	5			2	119	2	41	400			
„ Groff, J. R.	3	160	150	9		1	12		3					1	7	80	2	20	125
„ Groh, L.	1	800	650	50	11		62	2	15	20				1	40	360			
„ Gruhler, J.	1	252	170	10	10		43		4	10				1	23	120			
„ Günsch, G. F. W.	1	300	300	10			29		9	3				1	25	150			
„ Haßler, J. W.	1	243	187	3	1		7	3	7	2				1	23	157			
„ Haupt, C. E.	1	390	275	48	9	3	116	10	12	4		2	21	1	36	375			
„ Heck, J., (5)	1	220	64	9	40	72	30		2	6		1	29	1	14	112			
„ Heilig, Th.	2	225	150	19			10		10	5				2	15	130			
„ Heilman, U. P.	3	763	668	53			49	2	17	2							7	85	800
„ Hemsath, C. H.	1	250	140	22	19	4			2					1	32	217			
„ Henkel, D. M., D. D., (6)	1	43			6	1	4							1	11	70			
„ Henry, S. S.	3	240	195	33			30	1	3								3	60	170
„ Hillpot, J.	5	774	604	27	11			3	9	2				2	26	230	3	*25	*250
„ Hinterleitner, G. A., D. D.	1	500	417	36	18		64	2	17	10				1	37	330			
„ Hirzel, C. J.	1	98	77	1			11		3	4				1	13	127			
„ Horine, M. C.	1	575	411	38	14	1	34	2	11	5				2	61	550			
„ Horne, A. R., D. D.	4	1300	916	81	4		77	2	28	2				1	14	92	8	78	735
„ Humbert, D. K.	6	1737	1573	85			156	1	30	80							6	60	700
„ Huntzinger, F. K.	3	950	800	134	20	10	184	3	25					1	35	650			
„ Ifenschmid, P., M. D.	1	200	190	20		1	48		2					1	24	200			
„ Jäger, T. T.	5	995	970	76	14	2	141	1									10	110	850

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Ehrw.	Jelden, F.	1	179	153	10			23							1	17	85			
,,	Hepner, D. K.	1	1250	1165	55	75		119	4	20	6				1	53	840	3	30	200
,,	Kline, J. J.	3	800	700	56	72	2	63	6	12	5				2	40	310	1	*10	*75
,,	Klingensmith, U. J.	1	125	114	3	2	1	6	4		1									
,,	Kohler, J.	1	200	187	7			7	1		4				1	12	75			
,,	Konrad, D. C.	1	140	156	7	5	2	24		8	10	1			1	18	120			
,,	Kramlich, B. E.	6	1400	1135	100			91		60					2	15	195	6	56	650
,,	Kramlich, M. J., (7)	1	45	35	3			10										1	10	100
,,	Krotel, G. F., D. D.	1	736	*600	33	22	1	25	2	2	2				1	36	225			
,,	Kuber, J. H.	1	440	347	24	25	6	43	1	11	7				1	33	340			
,,	Kühn, C.	1	600	552	40			80	1	6	1				1	25	300			
,,	Kündig, J. J.	1	1350	1100	64	46		116		26	6		3	153	2	78	800			
,,	Kuntz, D.	3	925	830	47	4		34		16	6							6	*40	*600
,,	Kuntz, J. J.	5	735	590	38			94	4	13								4	12	250
,,	Laird, S., D. D.	1	600	500	7	6		11		9	7				1	62	400			
,,	Lauer, W. C. L.	1	188	125	12	2		27			10				1	9	170			
,,	Lazarus, J. W.	4	665	570	42		7	31		17	1				1	16	110	2	20	150
,,	Lenker, M. B.	3	360	275	13	5		78		10	15				1	10	90	1	10	60
,,	Leopold, D.	5	700	650	43		1	42	1	22	4				1	15	80	5	50	550
,,	Lindenstruth, L.	2	465	391	23	5		31		7	7				4	70	355			
,,	Linsz, A.	1	150	130				65		6					1	14	150			
,,	Long, A. J.	6	1100	995	63	15	5	82		26					2	30	325	8	60	480
,,	Markley, A. B.	1	258	223		4	3	13		8	2				1	48	200			
,,	Martens, D. M., (8)	1	190	139	8	16		10		3	1				1	16	97			
,,	Mayne, J. W.	2	625	464		2	2	23	2	2	1							6	60	700
,,	Mayser, F. B.	1	1070	600	34	40		56		20	45	6			1	53	360			
,,	Meyer, J. H.	1	*260	250	23			30		4					1	34	200			
,,	Miller, E. L.	1	170	1 0	6	9		11		3	2				1	14	90			
,,	Miller, D. D.	4	738	613	57	8		71	1	16	2				2	47	412	2	29	390
,,	Müller, G. B.	1	130	118	6		2	15	1	3	6	2			1	19	125			
,,	Müller, W. A. C.	2	550	538	32	9		24		12	19				2	65	300			
,,	Myers, W. H.	1	437	325	23	10	19	20	4	5	5				1	30	425			
,,	Neff, J.	2	275	215	1	6	1	9	1	6	2				2	48	280			
,,	Neiman, J. H.	3	677	5 0	53	4		52		8					3	31	251			
,,	Nidecker, J. E.	1	750	700	55			150	1	19	6		3	91	1	70	960			
,,	Ochsenford, S. E.	2	680	433	29	2		26		10	9				1	21	192	1	16	150

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Pastoren.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicantenzahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Ohl, J. F.	3	852	716	45	10	1	35	9	16	11				1	22	200	1	12	60
„ Pfatteicher, Ph.	1	400	400	38	12		75		42	6				1	30	475			
„ Pflüger, A. P.	2	770	434		6	4	39	1	10	4				2	28	300			
„ Pfuhl, J. G.	1	437	411	31	15		43		11	20				1	25	300			
„ Pohle, E. H.	1	159	167	19		14	52	1	4	7				1	18	175			
„ Rath, M. O. (9)	1	176	155	16	2		17		3					1	29	205			
„ Rath, Wm. (10)	3	*650	500				12		12					1					
„ Reed, D. E.	2	*190	150		2		10		5	4				2	28	189			
„ Reed, E. L.	1	230	165	13	7	1	29	4	4					1	26	300			
„ Rehrig, W. M.	1	217	152		8	2	28		2	29				1	22	160			
„ Reiter, D. H. (11)	4	700	600	13	11	3	45		12	4							3	35	400
„ Renninger, J. S.	5	1525	1400	42			110	1	28								16	226	1715
„ Repaß, S. A. D. D.	1	500	462	17	27	1	18	2	4	7				2	65	750			
„ Rieb, W.	1	600	586	54	3	14	178	1	25	2		2	100	1	25	350			
„ Röder, R. D.	1	130	121	9	15	2	6	3	1	2				1	23	232			
„ Sandt, C. E.	3	734	583	37	20	23	46	2	38					1	17	140	2	36	390
„ Sanner, D.	4	575	456	30	3		92		20	5				1	25	170	3	28	195
„ Schäffer, Wm. Ashmead	1	175	148	2	16		13		1	4				1	16	200			
„ Schantz, F. J. F.	2	525	433	15	16	2	21		10	6				2	32	260			
„ Sheffer, J. A.							11							1	9	91	1	10	110
„ Scheidy, Geo. M.	2	250																	
„ Schimpf, M.	1	125	115	17			14	1	19					1	11	85			
„ Schindel, J. D.	3	1060	800	50	40	4	125		17	16				2	53	700	3	45	550
„ Schlenker, J. D.	2	432	390	15	20	1	51		11	2				1	35	325			

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Ehrw.	Schmauk, B. W.	2	1175	700	49	30		103	6	23	12				4	124	1026			
"	Schmauk, T. E. (12)																			
"	Schmidt, J. H.	4	*220	200	18			60		5	30				1	15	110			
"	Schmieder, H. C. (13)																			
"	Schmucker, B. M., D. D.	1	350	300	6	4		8	2	8	2				1	40	250			
"	Schöner, W. F.	2	650	500	14	22	4	55		6	2				3	7.	450			
"	Seaman, G. S.	1	210	152	12	3		19	7	7	2				1	24	170			
"	Seiß, J. A., D. D. LL.D.	1	301	225	7	3		8	3	2	6				1	21	155			
"	Semmel, H. C.	3	375	325	56			8	18	8					1	10	75	1	15	175
"	Shoffner, J. R.	1	132	75	3	7	3	15		1	11				1	27	212			
"	Sibole, E. E. (14)	1	305	*225	16	2		8	4	10	4	79			1	45	329			
"	Sibole, J. L.	1	580	525	48	17		35	8	4	5				1	66	848			
"	Smith, Enoch	1	550	450	38	28	4	50	1	9	50				1	48	390			
"	Smith, L	1	140	120	15			27		4	1				2	12	80			
"	Smith, O. P	3	1040	940	37	4	1	35	11	18	5				2	45	400	1	25	200
"	Smoll, B. S	3	650	585	70			48		13								9	*80	800
"	Smoll, E. H.	3	650	513	15			28		5	3							7	80	600
"	Späth, A., D. D.	1	450	450	55			75	2				3	110	1	68	610			
"	Spieker, G. F., D. D.	1	807	*725	45	36		37		10	7				1	33	647			
"	Stetler, D. M. (15)	6	581	450	16	2		59	1	7	6				1	11	75	2	40	360
		5	500	430											1		50			
"	Strauß, A. M.	6	740	618	7			70		13	52	11			5	52	360	3		
"	Strauß, W. H.	4	1200	700	47			31		10								15		
"	Strodach, B. H. (16)	1	600	625	44	150		95	4				3	150	2	8	900			
"	Strunz, G. A.	3	310	265	22			44		5	10				2	22	180			
"	Stupp, S. B.	3	400	360	18			53	3	10					1	10	75	3	30	350
"	Tregler, D. D.	4	500	450	17			53		8								5	50	350
"	Umbenhen, J. H.	1	108	80	13	5		4	4	2	3				1	14	100			
"	Upp, J. D.	1	312	225	12	7		37	2	5	4				1	31	228			
"	Wackernagel, W., D. D.	1	150	120	5	1		3		3	6							1	12	100
"	Walter, A. W.	1	207	170	25	41	6	41	4						1	30	335			
"	Walz, F.	3	1030	1000	70		2	51	8	16	5	1								
"	Wampole, J. F.	6	1050	825	37	8	1	52		10	10							12	120	1000
"	Warnke, B. H.	1	40	40	7			4							1	3	20			
"	Weddell, A. J.	1	362	344	17	8		14	6	7	13				1	37	312			
"	Weickfel, H. (17)	8	896	795	51			98	1	16	21							7	61	615

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Parochial-Berichte für das am Pfingstsonntag 1887 endigende Jahr.

Pastoren.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Kinder.	Erwachsene.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Chw. Weis'kotten, F. W.	1	*900	800	127	20	.....	187	7	6	.....	.....	2	115	1	90	800	.....	.....	.....
„ Welder, B. G. (18)	5	855	715	56	5	2	30	12	18	5	.....	.....	.....	3	28	180	2	25	150
„ Wenrich, S.	3	350	213	23	.....	1	18	2	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	15	132	.....	.....	.....
„ Wischan, F. (13)	1	*700	700	74	20	6	128	3	30	15	.....	4	250	1	140	750	.....	.....	.....
„ Wisser, V. V.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Witte, J. S. M.	2	170	170	30	.....	2	44	2	2	4	.....	.....	.....	2	35	300	.....	.....	.....
„ Wuchter, A. C.	1	140	90	13	.....	5	42	1	2	5	.....	.....	.....	1	14	90	1	.....	.....
„ Yount, A. L. (19)	1	225	165	25	23	2	17	1	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	1	19	174	.....	.....	.....
„ Zentner, J.	1	290	270	15	2	.....	30	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	20	150	.....	.....	.....
„ Ziegenfuß, S. A.	2	590	485	24	20	3	23	1	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	31	200	3	.....	.....
„ Zimmerman, R. M.	1	260	251	15	36	2	25	2	2	13	.....	.....	.....	1	31	265	.....	.....	.....
„ Zizelmann, P. F.	1	400	380	36	.....	50	108	.....	12	10	.....	.....	.....	1	24	325	.....	.....	.....
„ Zweizig, B. D.	8	1925	1775	130	.....	.....	269	6	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	80	500
„ Zweizig, M. L.	1	111	89	9	12	.....	14	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	14	108	.....	.....	.....
Trevorton-Pfarrstelle (Vakant) (20)	3	360	285	9	2	3	17	.....	5	3	.....	.....	.....	1	19	80	2	20	105
Goldsboro-Pfarrstelle (21)	2	40	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	40	1	7	20
St. Peters, Mahanoy (22)	1	135	131	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	26	100
Tioga- und Potter Co.-Mission (23)	1	111	68	.....	.....	.....	17	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trinitatis, Montour Co.	1	80	76	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	3	4	.....	.....	.....	1	6	25	.....	.....	.....

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Tabelle No. 2.

Beiträge der Gemeinden im Synodal-Jahr 1886—1887.

„**Auflage**" für 1887 und 1888 ist die von der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit aufgestellte Summe für das letzte und das neue Synodal-Jahr.

„**Gemeinde-Auslagen**" — „**für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt**" bezeichnen alle regelmäßigen Ausgaben für den Gehalt des Pastors, Organisten, Lehrer, Chor, Kirchendiener u. dergl. — „**Für besondere Zwecke**", schließt Gelder in sich, die für Bau und Reparaturen von Kirchen und Pfarrhäusern und dergleichen und zur Abtragung von Kirchenschulden verausgabt wurden.

Unter „**Synodal-Zwecke**" schließt „Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit" alle Beiträge für Erziehung, Einheimische Mission unserer Synode, Wittwen- und Waisen-Fond u. s. w.; — „Theologisches Seminar" alle Beiträge für den Baufond, für laufende Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Mühlenberg-Collegium" alle Beiträge für den Gehalt der Professoren; für allgemeine Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Waisenhaus" alle Beiträge in Geld oder an Werth der übersandten Gaben an das Waisenhaus in Germantown in sich.

Unter Beiträgen „**für das General-Concil**" begreift „Heiden-Mission" alle Gelder in sich, die für diesen Zweck; — „**Einheimische Mission**" — englisch und deutsch — alle Gaben und Unterstützungen, welche den beiden Missions-Committeen des General-Concils oder bedürftigen Gemeinden innerhalb desselben unserer eigenen Synode überreicht wurden.

Unter „**sonstigen Zwecken**" sind Beiträge für Wohlthätigkeits-Anstalten von einem allgemeinen Charakter, oder die außerhalb unserer Kirche gelegen sind, bezeichnet.

Pastoren.	Auflage für 87—88.	Auflage für 86—87.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 86—87.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das theologische Seminar	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für das Waisenhaus.	Für das General-Concil. Für die Heidenmission.	Für das General-Concil. Englische Einheim. Mission.	Für das General-Concil. Deutsche Einheim. Mission	Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Ehrw. Abele, J. G.	$ 15	$ 15	.....	$750 00	6000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$6750 00
„ Ander, T. R.	10	10	.....	670 00	1100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$20 00	.....	1790 00
„ Andres, W. J.	125	125	$125 00	1100 00	100 00	127 00	$20 00	25 00	.....	$10 00	$10 00	.....	.....	1392 00
„ Anspach, J. M.	150	150	125 00	2500 00	30 00	75 00	179 50	15 00	$ 25 00	50 00	15 00	.....	.....	2889 50
„ Apple, B. F.	30	30	34 40	650 00	900 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	4 34	.....	.....	$60 84	1645 18
„ Bartholomew, D. D.	50	50	55 00	800 00	1200 00	50 00	17 00	5 00	.....	5 00	5 50	.....	.....	2082 50
„ Bauer, E. A.	120	120	110 00	1249 65	6500 00	88 39	.....	41 42	5 00	.....	.....	20 00	100 00	8004 46

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Pastoren.	Auflage für 87—88.	Auflage für 86—87.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 86—87.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	Beiträge für Synodaljwecke. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Beiträge für Synodaljwecke. Für das theologische Seminar.	Beiträge für Synodaljwecke. Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Beiträge für Synodaljwecke. Für das Waisenhaus.	Für das General-Concil. Für die Heidenmission.	Für das General-Concil. Englische Einheim. Mission.	Für das General-Concil. Deutsche Einheim. Mission.	Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Ehrw. Becker, J. L.	$125	$125	$133 00	1200 00		133 00		20 00	$ 11 00		$29 00			$1393 00
„ Bender, F. P.	75	75	75 00	2718 27	2907 22	75 00			350 10			$30 00	$ 2 88	6083 47
„ Berkemeyer, F.	125	125	125 25	661 99		125 25			37 15		5 00		70 00	899 39
„ Berndt, F. K.	125	125	115 00	850 00	4160 89	115 00	$64 25	10 00	5 80	$20 00			13 00	5239 54
„ Bernheim, G. D., D. D.	25	25	15 25	1000 00	612 50	15 25							16 00	1643 75
„ Bieber, J. W.	200	200	258 00	1100 00		258 00		170°°			10 00		54 00	1592 00
„ Bieber, W. J.	150	150	173 00	780 00	1726 67	162 00		5 00		6 00				2679 67
„ Binder, C. K.	20	20	20 00	734 00	1522 70	20 00								2276 70
„ Brownmiller, E. S.	60	60	60 00	1200 00		60 00		15 00						1275 00
„ Brügel, G. A. [1]	125	125	125 00	1500 00	500 00	100 00	160 00	10 00	6 70	8 34	7 20	8 00		2300 24
„ Bruning, H. H.	40	40	40 10	650 00		40 10	100 00							790 10
„ Bürmeyer, F. F.				800 00	1129 88				25 00				40 00	1994 88
„ Cassaday, E. R. [2]	15	15	11 95	463 00	865 40				10 00					1338 73
„ Coleman, D. L. [3]	25	25	25 00	600 00	200 00	25 00		10 00	10 00				18 00	863 00
„ Cooper, C. J.							25 00							25 00
„ Creßman, J. J.	125	125	125 00	1400 00	600 00	80 00	80 00	15 00		10 00	10 00	10 00		2205 00
„ Darmstätter, J. A.	70	70	70 00	925 00	200 00	20 00			10 00	20 00		65 00		1240 00
„ Darmstätter, J.	30	30	28 00	725 00	150 00	10 00		5 00	5 00	20 00		18 50	5 00	938 50
„ Deck, J. P.	200	200	200 00	3555 75	300 00	190 00	320 00	10 00	144 00	25 00	50 00			4644 75
„ Dizinger, J. C.	50	50	50 00	1669 98		50 00		10 00		35 00		40 00		1805 00
„ Droppa, A. C.				234 70	1855 84									2090 54
„ Drumheller, C. K.	20	15	15 00	860 00	225 00	15 00	16 27							1116 27
„ Early, J. W.	40	40	23 00			23 00								23 00
„ Erb, J. R. S.	130	130	130 00	1500 00		130 00		40 00			20 00	10 00		1700 00

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Ehrw.	Erb, J. S.	125	125	125 00	1200 00	200 00	125 00	200 50	61 58			15 00				1802 08
„	Erdmann, A. E.	75	75	20 00	1100 00	400 00			16 00		20 59			68 07		1604 66
„	Fegley, H. R.	150	150	154 00	1250 00	175 00	154 85	343 00	20 00	18 00	29 60	20 00				2010 45
„	Fegley, H. S. [4]	125	125	129 00	1200 00	800 00	129 91		231 15					16 82		2382 88
„	Finfrock, A. [5]	200	200	144 25	1400 00	1150 00	144 25									2694 25
„	Fluck, J. F. C.	25	25	25 00	1211 93	1181 98	25 00			5 00						2423 91
„	Fouſt, G. D.	25	25	25 00	877 25	265 00	25 00			75 00						1242 25
„	Fox, W. B.	200	200	125 00	1475 00	150 00	200 00	250 00	5 00	25 00	30 00	31 37				2166 37
„	Francis, S. A. C.	125	125	115 00	2000 00	500 00	100 00	300 00	70 00	75 00		20 00		50 00		3115 00
„	Fry, C. L.	600	600	625 00	3342 59	3200 00	600 00	178 00	25 00	175 00	90 00	568 23		40 00		8219 72
„	Fry, J., D. D. [6]	800	800	800 00	4580 00	1000 00	600 00		40 00	145 00	200 00	453 00		500 00		8018 78
„	Gable, J. H.	150	150	86 65	1200 00	6000 00	88 00		12 00							7300 65
„	Gardner, G. C.	40	40	42 00	1130 00	863 17	43 31	200 00		30 00	10 00	5 00	15 00	8 50		2305 04
„	Gardner, G. F.	20	20	20 00	780 00	1500 00	10 00	16 00	5 00	5 00	10 00					2321 69
„	Gauker, J. W.	40	40	27 53	621 50	208 36					27 53					857 39
„	Geiger, W. H. [7]	65	55	65 00	400 00	2000 00	65 00	101 00	5 00	16 00		5 00				2592 00
„	Geiſſinger, D. H.	400	400	400 00	3357 97	4533 85	300 00		10 00	68 25	25 00	50 00				8345 07
„	Gerhart, E. H.	20	20	34 43	1199 42	343 62		22 37	58 26	17 67	10 34	7 00	7 00			1665 68
„	Gerlach, R.	50	50	50 00	2322 00	850 00		50 00		25 00			32 00			3279 00
„	German, J. P.	70	70	60 00		400 00	60 00	69 00	5 00							534 00
„	Geſchwind, L. H.	25	25	5 00	300 00		5 00	25 50								330 50
„	Gieß, H.	150	150	126 00	575 00		126 00			15 00	10 00	10 00	10 00			746 00
„	Glaſow, P. F. A. [8]	30	30	37 00	884 61	185 44	20 00			16 10	18 47		55 95	10 00		1190 57
„	Gräpp, A. R. J. [3]	30	30	21 02	736 63	72 00	21 02			13 00	12 42		8 48	29 25		892 80
„	Grahn, H. [9]	125	125	141 75	3698 22	1106 85	115 75	12 00		250 00	14 00		144 58	165 95		5507 35
„	Groff, J. R.	25	25	25 00	600 00		25 00									625 00
„	Groh, L.	200	200	240 00	1500 00	100 00	238 00		5 00			160 00				2303 00
„	Gruhler, J.	25	25	32 25	601 82	42 50	15 00		5 00	5 00	17 25		7 64			694 21
„	Günſch, G. F. W.	50	50	58 00		450 00	32 00		15 00	9 00	10 00		5 00			521 87
„	Haßler, J. W.	125	125	100 00	897 00		85 00	1 00	5 00	38 92		10 00				1045 92
„	Heck, J.				900 00	2000 00								50 00		2950 00
„	Heilig, Th.	25	25	20 00	600 00		20 00									620 00
„	Heilman, U. P.	120	120	142 11			125 00									125 00
„	Hemſath, C. H.	100	100		1327 33		100 00				65 00	41 00				1533 33
„	Henkel, D. M., D. D.	25	25	22 00		200 00	22 00									222 00
„	Henry, S. S.	25	25	21 85	350 00	150 00	21 85									521 85

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				Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Für besondere Zwecke.	Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Für das theologische Seminar.	Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Für das Waisenhaus.	Für die Heidenmission.	Englische Einheim. Mission.	Deutsche Einheim. Mission.		
Ehrw. Hillpot, J.	$100	$100	$125 00	$500 00	1500 00	125 00	.....	16 00	$10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$2151 00
„ Hinterleitner, G. A., D. D	100	100	100 00	1900 00	200 00	50 00	395 00	25 00	20 00	$30 00	.....	$96 25	.....	2516 25
„ Hirzel, C. J. [3]	25	25	25 00	880 57	364 00	25 00	19 63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$20 00	1313 10
„ Horine, M. C.	200	200	150 00	850 00	400 00	150 00	.....	3 00	5 75	15 00	$15 00	.....	.....	1238 25
„ Horne, A. R., D. D.	250	250	250 00	1500 00	.....	260 00	250 00	10 00	.....	73 26	.....	.....	.....	2093 26
„ Houpt, C. E.	75	75	75 00	1400 00	2433 00	75 00	30 00	10 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3973 00
„ Humbert, D. K.	300	300	200 00	.....	.....	152 68	.....	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	352 68
„ Huntzinger, F. K.	100	100	50 00	2000 00	6000 00	75 00	32 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8107 00
„ Isenschmid, B., M. D.	75	75	72 00	950 00	.....	30 00	.....	5 00	75 00	47 00	.....	25 00	.....	1132 00
„ Jäger, T. T.	100	100	100 00	500 00	800 00	100 00	400 00	5 00	10 00	50 00	25 00	20 00	.....	1910 00
„ Jelden, F.	20	20	.....	967 78	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	6 25	.....	12 50	.....	1006 53
„ Keyner, D. K. [10]	225	225	225 00	2867 32	748 00	225 00	954 00	.....	.....	76 78	.....	.....	4881 10	9752 20
„ Kline, J. J.	125	125	125 00	1000 00	1500 00	125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2625 00
„ Klingensmith, U. J.	30	30	30 00	750 00	.....	30 00	22 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	802 00
„ Kohler, J.	50	50	50 00	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	50 00
„ Konrad, D. C.	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	10 00
„ Kramlich, B. E.	225	225	225 00	1800 00	500 00	225 00	350 00	5 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2895 00
„ Kramlich, M. J.	.....	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	218 00
„ Krotel, G. F., D. D. [11]	500	500	500 00	6479 14	3509 20	500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500 00	.....	592 04	12580 38
„ Kuder, J. H.	75	75	75 00	1339 67	800 00	75 00	.....	54 29	32 00	75 00	55 00	.....	.....	2430 96
„ Kündig, J. J.	120	120	100 00	4814 51	.....	494 56	.....	.....	226 25	.....	.....	804 15	.....	6339 47
„ Kühn, C.	75	75	75 00	1734 14	1000 00	50 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	.....	10 00	.....	2830 14
„ Kunz, D.	175	175	145 00	1060 00	500 00	35 00	76 00	52 00	.....	40 00	40 50	.....	.....	1803 50
„ Kunz, J. J.	115	115	118 00	900 00	400 00	115 00	61 55	15 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1491 80

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Ehrw.	Laird, S., D. D.	1000	1000	1150	37	3962	56	2777	73	1150	37	1100	00	10	00	267	53	190	87	483	37			1122	58	11065	01
„	Lauer, W. C. L.	25	25			672	00	598	00																	1270	00
„	Lazarus, J. W. [12]	130		41	07	1030	50	117	13	41	07			15	00											1203	70
„	Lenker, M. B.	15	15	12	00	787	00			10	00													75	00	872	00
„	Leopold, D.	200	200	200	00	1000	00	8700	00	100	00									50	00	50	00			9900	00
„	Lindenstruth, L. [3]	60	60	60	00	1490	00	283	17	60	00	30	00	20	00	9	25			3	07	15	50	18	01	1929	00
„	Linß, Aug.	20	20	10	00	942	48	160	00	10	00					130	00	4	00			37	15			1283	63
„	Long, A. J.	225	225	120	00	1500	00	9650	00	120	27			15	00									20	00	11305	27
„	Markley, A. B. [13]	50	50	27	37	828	00	280	00	30	69	25	00			9	62							53	00	1226	31
„	Mayne, J. W.	60	60	61	46	900	00	405	00	60	00									30	46			15	00	1410	46
„	Mayser, F. P.	150	150	150	00	2800	00	1340	00	75	00			10	00	30	00	40	00	10	00	95	00			4400	00
„	Meyer, J. H.	50	50	50	00			700	00	40	00					9	00									749	00
„	Miller, E. L.	15	15	15	00	474	06			15	00					10	91									499	97
„	Miller, D. D.	80	50	75	00	650	00	500	00	70	00			5	00											1225	00
„	Müller, G. P.	25	25	32	00	753	67	40	00	12	00	5	00			5	00	5	00			5	00			825	67
„	Müller, W. A. C.	75	75	33	00	1305	00			33	01	58	10	14	25	3	00	5	00	10	00	10	00			1438	36
„	Myers, W. H.	30	30	30	00	1800	00	1500	00	25	00															3325	00
„	Neff, J.	50	50	45	00	1314	78	1701	33	45	00			97	50	19	45	12	00	12	00					3202	06
„	Neiman, J. H.	85	85	85	00	850	00	400	00	101	80			15	00											1366	40
„	Nidecker, J. E.	700	700	690	00	7026	00	21772	23	675	00	101	10	50	00	1575	00	425	00	50	00	125	00	1157	83	13358	09
„	Ochsenford, S. E.	50	50	50	00	530	00	296	17	50	00	40	75			7	00	15	39	11	00					973	31
„	Ohl, J. F. [14]	100	100	128	71	1100	00	250	00	12	28			10	00			116	33	14	02					1502	73
„	Pfatteicher, Ph.	175	165	175	00	4000	00			175	00			25	00											4200	00
„	Pflüger, A. P.	100	100	79	29	1000	00	50	00	29	29			10	00	18	40	40	00	10	00			10	00	1167	69
„	Plüger, D. E. [15]	30	30	30	00																						
„	Pfuhl, J. G.	50	50	50	00	1500	00			50	00	25	00	15	00	14	31	10	00			61	58	300	00	1975	89
„	Pohle, E. H.	25	25	25	00	753	00	951	16	25	00	125	00			70	00	10	00			25	60	30	00	1989	76
„	Rath, M. D. [16]	50	50	60	00	374	78			83	44					10	06	88	06	44	03	69	75			670	12
„	Rath, W.	150	300			223	88																			223	88
„	Reeb, D. E.	25	20	25	00	600	00			25	00			3	00											628	00
„	Reeb, E. L.	40	40	40	00	1100	00			40	00															1140	00
„	Rehrig, W. M.	25	25	15	50	848	84	48	11	15	30															912	25
„	Reiter, D. H.	100	100	100	00	1300	00	400	00	100	00	200	00	10	00	35	00			10	00	5	00			2060	00
„	Renninger, J. S.	325	325	320	00	1500	00	775	00	300	00	100	00	367	00	15	00	20	00			20	00	100	00	3197	76
„	Repaß, S. A., D. D.	300	350	300	00	2686	76	112	00	300	00	630	00	61	19	50	00	102	00	134	00	2	50			4078	45

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Beiträge der Gemeinden im Jahre 1886—1887.

Pastoren.	Auflage für 87—88.	Auflage für 86—87.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 86—87.	Gemeinde-Auflagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auflagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	Beiträge für Synodalzwecke. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	Für das theologische Seminar.	Für d. Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Für das Waisenhaus.	Für das General-Concil. Für die Heidenmission.	Englische Einheim. Mission.	Deutsche Einheim. Mission.	Beiträge für sonstige Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Ehrw. Rieb, W.	$100	$100	$100 00	2341 54	$730 20	100 00	100 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	$86 25	$ 8 60	$3391 59
„ Röder, R. D.	25	25	25 25	954 97	6600 53	25 25	.....	.....	128 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	7709 20
„ Sandt, C. E.	75	75	81 67	1000 00	5000 68	81 67	.....	56 23	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	6163 58
„ Sanner, D.	50	50	30 00	700 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	10 00	30 00	775 00
„ Schäffer, Wm. A.	40	25	39 00	2051 62	5273 09	39 00	50 00	20 00	180 00	83 62	73 50	.....	91 05	7861 88
„ Schantz, F. J. F. [17]	125	125	132 82	1000 00	335 00	132 82	.....	30 00	17 00	.....	21 25	24 00	.....	1560 07
„ Schimpf, M.	25	25	20 00	785 55	.....	20 00	.....	5 00	18 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	828 55
„ Schindel, J. D.	160	160	150 00	1800 00	500 00	150 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	2483 00
„ Schlenker, J. D.	30	30	30 00	876 58	191 36	30 00	130 00	10 00	.....	.....	15 50	.....	.....	1252 44
„ Schmauk, B. W. [18]	400	400	405 00	3682 76	3256 72	205 00	.....	83 00	100 00	200 00	232 12	105 10	70 00	7934 75
„ Schmauk, T. E. [19]														
„ Schmidt, J. H.	15	15	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	15 00
„ Schmieder, H. C. [20]	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Schmucker, B. M., D.D.	200	200	250 00	1900 00	.....	200 00	.....	106⁰⁰	111 45	50 00	25 00	.....	154 50	2546 95
„ Schöner, W. F.	100	100	75 00	1400 00	500 00	75 00	.....	183⁴⁰	22 10	25 00	20 00	.....	13 00	2238 50
„ Seaman, G. S.	75	75	65 00	760 00	7950 49	53 00	12 02	.....	.....	.....	4 63	.....	.....	8780 14
„ Seiß, J. A. D.D .LL.D.	.....	.....	210 00	6370 00	29777⁰⁰	200 00	250 00	.....	75 00	.....	95 00	.....	175 00	36942 00
„ Semmel, H. E.	30	30	33 25	800 00	.....	.....	76 00	5 00	.....	33 25	.....	.....	.....	914 25
„ Shoffner, J. R.	20	20	25 00	574 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	611 00
„ Sibole, E. E.	500	500	500 00	3759 00	250 00	100 00	500 00	25 00	276 00	503 60	1263⁰⁰	.....	795 00	7462 60
„ Sibole, J. L.	150	150	50 00	4552 28	5127 00	50 00	.....	10 00	90 00	40 00	.....	.....	.....	9869 28
„ Smith, Enoch	150	150	150 00	1823 19	3511 60	150 00	.....	36 15	17 00	60 00	15 04	.....	.....	5612 98
„ Smith, L.	25	25	30 00	410 70	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	430 70
„ Smith, D. P.	175	175	175 00	2800 00	.....	175 00	.....	467⁰⁰	75 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	3327 00
„ Smoll, B. S. [21]	60	60	60 00	.....	.....	65 00	80 00	5 00	.....	13 91	5 00	5 00	52 25	226 16

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Ehrw. Small, E. H. [22]				1000 00	1128 20	$50 00						$30 00					$2208 20
" Späth, A. D. D.	150	300	307 00	7200 00	2000 00	202 50	100 00	50 00	400 00	102 50			200 00	300 00	10555 00
" Spieker, G. F. D. D.	100	100	100 00	1709 00	680 78	100 00	10 00	11 78	40 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	20 00		2627 23
" Stetler, D. M. [23]	60	60	29 58	700 00	137 00	30 00	51 25	5 00	5 00						928 25
" Strauß, A. M.	100	100	90 00		2500 00	90 00					10 00				2600 00
" Strauß, W. H.	125	125	125 00	775 00		107 50		62 50	10 00	10 00					965 00
" Strobach, H. B.			42 50	5314 92	10000 00					10 00	25 00	60 00	623 00		16032 92
" Strunk, G. A.	30	30	30 00	850 00		30 00		5 00							885 00
" Stupp, S. B.	50	50	47 27	1000 00	1200 00	47 27			2 90						2250 17
" Trexler, D. D.	65	65	65 00			30 00		5 00		30 00					65 00
" Umbenhen, J. H. [24]	15	15	15 00	710 28		15 00	10 00		10 00		10 33	5 85	8 25		769 71
" Upp, J. D.	50	50	43 00	762 18	1172 35	35 00	25 00	20 00		8 00	10 00				2032 53
" Wackernagel, W. D. D.	50	50	27 35	300 00		27 35		47 75		7 25		5 40			387 75
" Walter, A. W.				831 01	32 55						10 00				873 56
" Walz, F. [25]	200	200	125 00	1175 00	1500 00	125 00	250 00	10 00	27 00			14 01	75 50		3176 51
" Wampole, J. F.	85	85	85 00	1025 00	100 00	85 00		6 00	1 00						1217 00
" Warnke, B. H.					160 00										160 00
" Weddell, A. J.	250	250	237 00	2340 00		228 00			11 70						2579 70
" Weickel, H.	65	65	65 33	700 00	62 00	65 33	6 07				5 00	5 00			843 40
" Weiskotten, F. W. [26]	300	300		4203 76	800 71	99 32		10 00	600 00	36 32	20 00	500 00	474 10		6745 21
" Welder, B. G. [27]	100	100	100 00	1100 00		100 00									1200 00
" Wenrich, S.	10	10	6 00	850 00		6 00	9 00	3 00		5 00	8 00				881 00
" Wischan, F. [20]	500	500	109 28	5600 00	1000 00	450 00	30 00		350 00	60 00		325 00			7815 00
" Wisser, P. P.						4 65									4 65
" Witte, J. S. M.				420 00	100 00	6 00			2 00	1 00		125 00			654 00
" Wuchter, A. C.	15	15		492 90	5 00		40 00	5 00							542 90
" Yount, A. L.	20	20	20 00	1150 00	1020 00	20 00	30 00	14 00	20 00		35 00				2289 00
" Zentner, J.	20	20	15 00	1200 00	200 00	15 00									1415 00
" Ziegenfuß, S. A.	150	150	162 67	1500 00		92 90	155 00	48 35	12 62	69 77	27 25		33 55		1939 44
" Zimmerman, R. M.	25	25	25 00	1727 81	2185 50	25 00				20 00					3958 31
" Zizelmann, P. F.	75	75		1245 00	5800 00	18 00						40 20			7003 20
" Zweizig, B. D.	200	200	115 00	2500 00	3000 00	115 00									5615 00
" Zweizig, M. L.	15	15	15 00	893 63	2716 54	15 00	7 25		10 66	7 25			3 00		3653 33
Trevorton Pfarrstelle [28]	40	40	37 79	550 00	125 00	37 79	27 05								739 84
St. Peters, Mahanoy	20		11 90												11 90
Trinity, Montour Co.				180 00		8 00									188 00

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Anmerkungen zu den Tabellen.

Tabelle No. 1.

(1) Confirmirt nur alle 2 Jahre.

(2) Bedient als Gehülfe von Dr. J. Fry, die Glaubens-, Hoffnungs- und Friedens-Kapellen in Reading, Pa.

(3) Bedient noch 6 Predigtplätze.

(4) Bericht für 5 Wochen.

(5) Die Gemeinde hat sich erst am 1. Advent 1886 constituirt. Von den 72, welche aufgenommen wurden, gehörten 52 zuvor keiner Gemeinde an.

(6) Bericht seit dem 1. März 1887.

(7) Zugleich Gehülfe von Pastor V. E. Kramlich.

(8) Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.

(9) Zugleich Gehülfe von Pastor W. Rath.

(10) Bericht unvollständig wegen Krankheit des Pastors und Theilung der Pfarrstelle.

(11) Bedient auch die Christus-Gemeinde zu Trumbauersville, welche 392 communicirende Glieder zählt, aber nicht zur Synode gehört.

(12) Die Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk berichten zusammen.

(13) Die Pastoren F. Wischan und H. C. Schmieder berichten zusammen.

(14) Bei einer Revision der Namenliste wurden 79 Namen gestrichen.

(15) Die oberen Zahlen gelten für die Beavertown Pfarrstelle; die unteren wurden nach letztjährigem Bericht für seine gegenwärtige Mahanoy Pfarrstelle berechnet.

(16) Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.

(17) Von den 8 Gemeinden ist eine Missions-Gemeinde.

(18) Von den 5 Gemeinden gehört eine nicht zur Pfarrstelle, sondern wird nur von Pastor Welder versorgt.

(19) Bericht für 6 Monate.

(20) Bis zum 17. März 1887 von Pastor Early bedient.

(21) Seit dem 10. März 1887 von Pastor Th. Heilig bedient.

(22) Wird von Pastor W. H. Geiger versorgt.

(23) Dieses Missionsfeld zählt nur eine organisirte Gemeinde, nämlich Germania.

Zahlen mit einem * sind, da für die betreffenden Rubriken nichts angegeben war, nach früheren Berichten berechnet.

Tabelle No. 2.

(1) Der Beitag für englische einheimische Mission wurde direkt nach St. Paul, Minn., gesandt.

(2) Der Missionsverein der Gemeinde unterstützt einen Schüler in Indien.

(3) Beitrag für sonstige Zwecke schließt eine Gabe für Charleston ein.

(4) Die $16.82 wurden in die Missionskasse der zweiten Districts-Conferenz einbezahlt.

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(5) Womelsdorf $45.21, von der Sonntagschule $7.88; Hoft $22.86; Blauberg $22.83; Eck $40.47.

(6) Außer den $600.00 wurden noch $400.00 für den Gehalt des Ehrw. L. J. Bickel, Pastor der Missions-Kapellen, ausbezahlt.

(7) Beitrag von der St. Peters-Gemeinde $11.90.

(8) Für Diakonissen wurden $7.00 beigetragen.

(9) Von den $14.00 für Heidenmission sind $4.00 Beitrag von der Gemeindeschule.

(10) Der Beitrag für Heidenmission schließt ein $50 von der Emanuels Sonntags-Schule und zwar, $6.70 von J. Hartleins Klasse, und $26.78 vom Missions-Verein der Gemeinde.

(11) Der für den Baufond des Seminars einbezahlte Beitrag konnte nicht genau angegeben werden.

(12) Bericht für 3 Monate.

(13) Die $25 für das Seminar sind persönlicher Beitrag des Pastors.

(14) Außer dem hier berichteten Beitrag für Heidenmission, wurden $8.18 an Pastor C. G. Fischer gesandt.

(15) Die $10 für englische einheimische Mission wurden an die St. John's-Gemeinde zu Columbia, Pa., gesandt.

(16) Der Beitrag für Heidenmission schließt in sich $30 für Erziehung eines Knaben in Indien.

(17) Beitrag für Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit schließt ein $30 von der Friedens-Sonntags-Schule in Myerstown für die Erziehung eines Knaben in Indien. Der Beitrag für das Waisenhaus schließt ein $5 von der Sonntags-Schule in Myerstown.

(18) Die Gemeinde in Annville gab $72 für Mission.

(19) Die Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk berichten zusammen.

(20) Die Pastoren H. C. Schmieder und F. Wischan berichten zusammen.

(21) $52.25 persönlicher Beitrag für den St. Johns Fundirungs-Fond.

(22) Bericht für 6 Monate.

(23) Bericht bis zum 1. April 1887.

(24) Die $8.25 wurden an das Emigranten Haus in New York gesandt.

(25) Unter sonstigen Zwecken ist ein Beitrag für Charleston und ein anderer für die Zions-Gemeinde in Harrisburg eingeschlossen.

(26) Der Beitrag für sonstige Zwecke schließt ein $111 für Charleston und $25 für Emigrantenmission in New York. Von den $500 für deutsche einheimische Mission waren $400 für Mission, welche die Gemeinde in Philadelphia treibt.

(27) $4500 wurden verausgabt für den Bau der St. Paulus-Kirche, welche jedoch nicht zum Pfarrbezirk gehört.

(28) Bericht bis zum 21. April 1887.

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Tabelle No. 3.

Gemeinde-Register,

enthaltend die Namen der Pfarrstellen, der sie bildenden Gemeinden, sowie Namen und Wohnort der Pastoren, nach Conferenzen und Counties geordnet.

Erste Conferenz.

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Bucks Co.		
Alt-Goschenhoppen	Alt-Goschenhoppen (Gemeinschaftlich) nahe Sumneytown und Zions nahe Telford, Franconia Twp., beide in Montgomery Co.; Keelersville, Bucks Co.	F. Walz	Sellersville.
Doylestown	St. Paulus, Doylestown	E. L. Miller	Doylestown.
Hilltown	Hilltown und Bridgetown	F. Berkemeyer	Sellersville.
Quakertown	St. Johannis, Quakertown; St. Paulus, Applebachsville; Kellers, Bedminster Twp.	J. F. Ohl	Quakertown.
Richlandtown	St. Johannis, Richlandtown; Zions, Zions Hill; Emanuels, Franconia Twp.; Christus, Trumbauersville.	D. H. Reiter	Richland Centre.
Sellersville	St. Michaelis, Sellersville; Ridge Valley, Rock Hill; Christus, Towamensing, Montgomery Co.	J. L. Becker	Sellersville.
Tinicum	St. Lukas, Dublin; Christus, Tinicum Twp.	J. W. Mayne	Dublin.
Pfarrstellen..... 7	Gemeinden..... 18		
	Chester Co.		
Phönixville	St. Johannes, Phönixville	E. H. Gerhart	Phönixville.
Pikeland	St. Peters, West Pikeland	U. J. Klingensmith	Kimberton.
Zions und Spring City	Zions, Ost Pikeland Twp.; Ev.-luth. Gem., Spring City, 3. u. Chestnut.	J. Neff	Spring City.
Pfarrstellen..... 3	Gemeinden..... 4		
	Montgomery Co.		
Centre Square	St. Johannes, Centre Square	D. L. Coleman	Centre Square.
Emanuels	Emanuels, Pottstown	D. K. Kepner	Pottstown.
Falkner Schwamm	New Hanover (Schwamm); Christus (Huber), Douglas Twp.; Trinitatis, Bechtelsville, Berks Co.	J. J. Kline	New Hanover.
Gnaden, Norristown	Gnaden, Norristown	R. D. Röder	Norristown.
North Wales	St. Peters, North Wales	G. D. Foust	North Wales.

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St. Paulus, Norristown	Deutsche St. Paulus, Norristown	D. C. Konrad	Norristown.
Sumneytown	Kielers, Frederick Twp.; St. Markus, Pennsburg; Sassaman's, Douglas Twp.; St. Johannes, Sumneytown.	W. V. Fox	Sumneytown.
Trappe	Augustus, Trappe; St. Jacobus, Limerick; New Jerusalem, Schwenksville	O. P. Smith	Trappe.
Trinitatis, Norristown	Englische Trinitatis, Norristown	A. J. Weddell	Norristown.
Verklärungs	Verklärungs, Pottstown	B. M. Schmucker, D. D.	Pottstown.
Pfarrstellen..... 10	Gemeinden 17		
	Philadelphia.		
Advents	Englische Advent, 5. Straße oberhalb Cumberland	J. F. C. Fluck	504 West Cumberland.
Christus, Chestnut Hill	Englische Christus, Chestnut Hill	C. J. Hirzel	Chestnut Hill.
Christus und St. Markus	Christus; St. Marcus	Vakant	
Emanuels	Deutsche Emanuels, 4. und Carpenter Str.	H. Grahn	1009 Süd 4. Str.
Heilige Communion	Heilige Communion, S. W. Ecke Broad und Arch Str.	J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D.	1338 Spring Garden St.
Immanuels	Deutsche Immanuels, Ecke Tackawanna und Plum Str., Frankford	M. Schimpf	4708 Tackawanna.
Kreuz	Deutsche Kreuz, Lehigh Ave. oberhalb 9. Str.	Joh. Heck	2528 Nord 6. Str.
Manayunk	Deutsche ev.-luth. Gemeinde, Ecke Martin und Peschin Str., Manayunk	G. C. Gardner	Roxboro.
St. Jacobus	St. Jacobus, Ecke 3. und Columbia Ave.	F. W. Weiskotten	2126 Hancock Str.
St. Johns	Englische St. Johannes, Race Str. oberhalb 5	E. E. Sibole	516 Brown Str.
St. Johannes	Deutsche St. Johannes, Ecke 15 und Ogden Str.	Prof. A. Späth, D. D.	1615 Girard Ave.
St. Lukas	St. Lukas, Ecke 7. und Montgomery Ave.	J. L. Sibole	701 Berks Str.
St. Markus	St. Markus, Spring Garden oberhalb 13. Str.	S. Laird, D. D.	1314 Spring Garden St.
St. Michaelis	Deutsche St. Michaelis, Cumberland Str. und Trenton Ave.	F. P. Bender	204 Ost York Str.
St. Michael's, Germantown	Englische St. Michael's, Ecke Germantown Ave. und Church Str.	Prof. C. W. Schäffer, D.D., LL.D., P.Emer.	4784 Germantown Ave.
		J. P. Deck	5467 Germantown Ave.
St. Michaelis und Zions	Deutsche Zions, Franklin unterhalb Vine	Prof. W. J. Mann, D. D., P. Emer.	114 Nord 34. Str.
		J. E. Ribecker	228 Franklin Str.
St. Paulus	Deutsche St. Paulus, N. O. Ecke St. John und Brown Str.	F. Wischan	726 Nord 7. Str.
		H. C. Schmieder	208 Beaver Str.
St. Pauls	Englische St. Pauls, 22. Str. oberhalb Columbia Ave.	R. M. Zimmerman	2406 Columbia Ave.
St. Peters	Englische St. Peters, 9. und Reed Str.	C. R. Cassaday	842 Wharton Str.
St. Peters	Deutsche St. Peters, 42. und Myrtle Str.	E. H. Pohle	4325 Aspen Str.
St. Stephens	St. Stephens, Powelton Ave. unterhalb 40. Str.	W. A. Schäffer	Station G., Philadel'a.
St. Thomas, Germantown	Deutsche St. Thomas, Ecke Morton und Herrman Str.	Fr. Zelden	110 Duval Str.
Trinitatis	Englische Trinitatis, Nope Ferry Road unterhalb Passayunk Ave.	S. A. K. Francis	1431 Süd 10. Str.
Trinitatis, Rising Sun	Dreieinigkeits, 16. Str. oberhalb Tioga	A. Linsz	1412 Tioga Str.
Pfarrstellen..... 24	Gemeinden..... 25		

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Delaware (Staat).		
Zions, Wilmington	Zions, Wilmington	P. Isenschmid, M. D.	Wilmington.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 1		
	New Jersey (Staat).		
Cramer Hill	Christus, Cramer Hill	E. Behrens	144 N. Broad, Phil'a.
Epiphanias, Camden	Englische Epiphanias, Camden	C. K. Binder	503 Linden Str.
Millville	St. Pauls, Millville; St. Johannes, Vineland	A. R. J. Gräpp	Millville.
Riverside	Riverside; Hainesport; New Germany	T. N. Ander	Riverside.
St. Johannes	Deutsche St. Johannes, Newark	W. Rieb	140 Court, Newark.
Trinitatis, Camden	Deutsche Dreieinigkeits, Camden	J. C. Dizinger	427 Stevens, Camden.
Trinitatis, Trenton	Deutsche Trinitatis, Trenton	Rud. Gerlach	Trenton.
Woodbury	Deutsche St. Johannes, Woodbury	B. H. Warnke	Woodbury.
Pfarrstellen 8	Gemeinden 11		
	New York (Staat).		
Epiphanias, New York	Epiphanias, 72 Ost 128. Str., New York City	F. F. Bürmeyer	100 Ost 124. Str.
Trinitatis „ „	Trinitatis, West 21. Str., New York City	G. F. Krotel, D. D.	49 West 21. Str.
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 2		
	Zweite Conferenz.		
	Carbon Co.		
Lehighton	Trinitatis, Lehighton	J. H. Ruder	Lehighton.
Mahoning	Ben Salems, Ost Penn; St. Johannes, Mahoning; Zions und St. Peters, West Penn, Schuylkill Co.	W. H. Strauß	Lehighton.
Mauch Chunk	St. Johannis, Mauch Chunk; St. Johannis, Ost Mauch Chunk	L. Lindenstruth	Mauch Chunk.
Summit Hill	St. Paulus, Summit Hill; Lansford und Hauto (Predigtplätze)	A. C. Wuchter	Summit Hill.
Weatherly	Zions, Weatherly	L. Smith	Weatherly.
Pfarrstellen 5	Gemeinden 9		
	Lackawanna Co.		
Scranton, Trinity	Englische Trinity, Ecke Adams Ave. und Mulberry Str.	M. L. Zweizig	613 Mulberry Str.
„ Zions	Deutsche Zions, Mifflin Ave.	P. F. Zizelmann	226 Mifflin Ave.
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 2		

Lecha Co.

Allentown, St. John's	St. Johns, 5. nahe Hamilton	S. A. Repaß, D. D.	Allentown.
„ St. Michaels	St. Michaels, Südwest Ecke 9. und Turner	G. F. Spieker, D. D.	„
„ St. Peters	St. Peters, Ridge Road	G. F. Gardner	„
Altonah, St. Thomas	St. Thomas, Altonah, Bethlehem Twp.	Prof. W. Wackernagel, DD.	„
Catasauqua, Trinity	Englische Trinitatis, Catasauqua	D. M. Henkel, D. D.	Catasauqua.
„ Bezirk	St. Pauls, Howertown Road, Catasauqua; St. John's, 3. Str., Coplay; Mickley's White Hall.	J. D. Schindel	Allentown.
Fogelsville, Bezirk	Ziegels; Weißenburg; Morgenland; St. Johannes, Fogelsville; Cedar, Cedarville.	O. Leopold	Fogelsville.
Jerusalem, Zions und St. Johannes	Jerusalem; Zions; St. Johannes	W. Rath	Allentown.
Jordan	Jordan; Lowhill	F. K. Berndt	Stettlersville.
Lynnville	Ebenezer, New Tripoli; Jacobs, Jacksonville, Lynn Twp.; St. Peters, Lynnville, Lynn Twp.; St. Paulus, Seiberlingsville, Weißenburg Twp.; Jerusalem, Albany Twp., Berks Co.	H S. Fegley	Lynnville.
Schnecksville	Egypten, White Hall Twp.; Union und St. Johannis, Nord White Hall Twp.; Heidelberg, Heidelberg Twp.; Frieden, Washingt. Twp.	J. S. Renninger	Slatington.
Schönersville ꝛc.	Schönersville, Hanover Twp.; Lehigh, Macungie Twp.; Friedensville, Saucon Twp; Rittersville, Hanover Twp.	A. R. Horne, D. D.	Allentown.
Slatington	St. Johannes, Slatington; St. Jacobs, Weißport; St. Matthäus, Nord Weißport; St. Paulus, Groß Creek.	J. S Erb	Slatington.
Salomon's	Salomons, Macungie	M. O. Rath	Allentown.
St. Peter's	St. Peters, Chestnut Hill	M. J. Kramlich	Fogelsville.
Pfarrstellen 15	Gemeinden 38		

Luzerne Co.

Conyngham	Christus, Conyngham; St. Johannes, Butler Twp.; Emanuels, Dorrance; Trinitatis, Mountain Grove; St. Paulus, Black Creek.	J. J. Kuntz	Conyngham.
Eckley Mission	St. Lucas, Freeland; St. Paulus, Ober Lehigh; St. Johannes; St. Peters.	J. H. Schmidt	Freeland.
Freeland, slavonische Miss.	Slavonische St. Peter-Paul, Freeland, und 6 andere Missionsstationen.	Cyrill A. Droppa	„
Hazleton	Christus, Church Str., Hazleton	E. A. Bauer	Hazleton.
Pittston	Pittston; Hughestown; Ransom	G. A. Strunz	Pittston.
White Haven	St. Paulus, Berwick Str., zwischen Elmira und Church Str.	H. H. Bruning	White Haven.
Wilkesbarre	Englische St. John's, Ecke Akademy und River Str.	L. H. Geschwind	Wilkesbarre.
„	Deutsche St. Paulus, Ecke Süd Main und South Str.	Konrad Kühn	„ „
Pfarrstellen 8	Gemeinden 17		

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Monroe Co.		
Chestnut Hill	Salem und St. Johannes, Chestnut Hill Twp.; St. Matthäus, Eldred Twp.; Jerusalem, Towamensing Twp.; St. Paulus und Christus, Penn Forest Twp., Carbon Co.	A. M. Strauß	Gilberts.
Smithfield	Zions, Smithfield; St. Johannes	Theo. Heilig	Stroudsburg.
Stroudsburg	St. Johns	Vakant	
Pfarrstellen..... 3	Gemeinden..... 9		
	Northampton Co.		
Bangor-Mission	Trinitatis, Bangor	B. F. Apple	Bangor.
Bath	St. Johannes, Main Str., Bath; St. Johannes, Howertown, Allen Twp.	S. A. Ziegenfuß	Bath.
Bethlehem, Gnaden	Gnaden, Bethlehem	C. H. Hemsath	Bethlehem.
„ Salems	Salems, Bethlehem	E. Smith	„
„ Süd, St. Peters	St. Peters, Ecke Vine Str. und Packer Ave.; Jerusalems, Sallisbury Twp. Lecha Co.	W. F. Schöner	Süd Bethlehem.
Cherryville	St. Paulus, nahe Cherryville; Emanuels, nahe Petersville; St. Johannes, Lower Towamensing Twp.; Ost Penn, Ost Penn Twp., Carbon Co.	G. A. Brügel	Cherryville.
Easton, Christus	Christus, Easton	J. M. Anspach	Easton.
„ St. Johns	St. Johns, Easton	D. H. Geissinger	„
„ St. Lukas	St. Lukas, Ecke 11. und Ferry Str., Easton	A. W. Walter	937 Ferry Str., Easton.
„ Zions	Deutsche Zions, Easton	P. Pfatteicher	Easton.
„ Süd	St. Paulus, Berwick Str. nahe Delaware	J. O. Upp	Süd Easton.
Freemansburg	Ev.-Luth. Kirche, Freemansburg; St. Johannes, Williams Twp., St. Markus, Aineyville.	C. E. Sandt	Freemansburg.
Hellertown	Hellertown; Lower Saucon, Lower Saucon Twp.; Alt Williams	W. J. Bieber	Hellertown.
Moorestown u. s. w.	Moorestown; Little Moore Twp.; Stein, Allen Twp.; Snyders, Ost Allen Twp.	W. J. Andres	Bath.
Mount Bethel	Christus; Mount Zion; St. Paulus; Bethel	J. W. Lazarus	Stone Church.
Nazareth	St. Johannes, Nazareth; Salem, Forks Twp.; Arndts, Forks Twp.	D. Kunz	Nazareth.
Plainfield	Plainfield, (Millers); Union, Belfast; St. Johannes, Penn Argyl, Jehova, Buschkill Centre.	A. E. Erdmann	„
Trockenland	Trinitatis, Hecktown; St. Johannes, Farmersville	J. W. Bieber	Bethlehem.
Pfarrstellen..... 18	Gemeinden..... 39		

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	Wayne Co.		
Goldsboro.....	Gnaden, Goldsboro'; St. Johannes, Clifton, Lackawanna Co.....	Th. Heilig.....	Stroudsburg.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden..... 2		
	New Jersey (Staat).		
Phillipsburg.....	Englische Gnaden, Main Str., unterh. Stockton, Phillipsburg.....	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.....	Phillipsburg.
,, ...	Deutsche St. Johannes, Phillipsburg.....	J. Zentner.....	,,
Pfarrstellen..... 2	Gemeinden..... 2		

Dritte Konferenz.

	Berks Co.		
Amityville.....	Amityville, Amity Twp.; Friedensburg, Oley Twp.; Pricetown, Ruscombmanor Twp.	U. P. Heilman.....	Athol.
Bernville.....	Salem; Union; Shartelsville; Lenhartsville.....	D. D. Trexler.....	Bernville.
Boyertown	St. Johannes, Boyertown.....	L. Groh.....	Boyertown.
DeLongs.....	DeLongs; Lang Schwamm; Hill; Huffs; St. Pauls; Neu Jerusalem..	D. K. Humbert.....	Bowers.
Grimsville.....	Friedens, Albany Twp.; Bethel Zions, Greenwich Twp.; Jerusalem, Greenwich Twp.	B. S. Smoll.....	Krumsville.
Hamburg.....	St. Johannes, Hamburg; Schumachersville; St. Paulus; Neu Bethel..	D. D. Miller.....	Hamburg.
Kutztown.....	Heilige Dreieinigkeit, Kutztown; Moselem (Zions), Ridmont Twp.....	W. A. C. Müller.....	Kutztown.
Kutzown und Bernville.....	St. Johannes, Kutztown; St. Johannes, Bernville; St. Paulus, North Heidelberg Twp.	J. J. Creßman.....	,,
Maxatawny u. s. w.....	Maxatawny; Mertztown; Rockland; Fleetwood; Topton; Trexlertown, Lecha Co.	B. E. Kramlich.....	,,
Oley.....	Oley, Oley Twp.; Spieß, Elsaß Twp.; Schalter's Elsaß Twp.; Bern, Penn Twp.; Zion, Perry Twp.	T. T. Jäger.....	222 N. 5. Str., Reading.
Reading, Gnaden.....	Gnaden.....	W. H. Myers.....	Reading.
,, St. James.....	St. James, Ecke 5. und Chestnut Str.....	M. C. Horine.....	,,
,, St. Johannes.....	Deutsche St. Johannes, Walnut und Church Str.....	J. J. Kündig..... / H. F. A. Hellwege, Geh.	,,
,, St. Lukas.....	St. Lukas, Reading; Elsaß, nahe Reading; St. Peters, Richmond Twp.	F. K. Huntzinger.....	,,
,, Trinity.....	Trinitatis, 6. und Washington Str.....	J. Fry, D. D.....	,,
,, Kapellen der Trinitatis. ...	Glaubens; Hoffnungs; Friedens.....	L. J. Bickel (Gehilfe von Dr. Fry.)	,,
,, Umgegend von...	St. James, Geigertown, Union Twp.; Robeson, Robeson Twnp.; Allegheny, Brecknock Twp; St. Johannes, Gibraltar, Robeson Twp.; Wyomissing, Douglasville; St. Marcus, Birdsboro.	J. H. Gable.....	,,

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Pfarrstellen.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
Reading, Umgegend von....	St. Johannes; Eplers; Schwarzwald; Trinitatis; St. Michaels; Bellemans; Maidencreek; Hinnerschitz.	B. D. Zweizig.....	Reading.
Stouchsburg.....	Christus, Stouchsburg; Rehrersburg; Elias, Newmanstown, Lebanon Co.; Millbach, Lebanon Co.; Schäfferstown.	A. J. Long.....	Stouchsburg.
Womelsdorf	Zions, Womelsdorf; Daniel's (Eck), Heidelberg Twp.; St. Paulus, (Hoft), Tulpehocken Twp.; Zions (Blauberg), Upper Tulpehocken Twp.	A. Finfrock.....	Womelsdorf.
Pfarrstellen..... 20	Gemeinden..... 70		
	Schuylkill Co.		
Frackville.....	Zions, Frackville.....	W. C. L. Lauer.....	Frackville.
Girardville	Zions, Girardville.....	W. M. Rehrig.....	Girardville.
Minersville	Zions, Minersville.....	G. F. W. Günsch.....	Minersville.
Orwigsburg	St. Paulus, Orwigsburg; Friedens, New Ringgold; St. Johannis, Auburn; Christus, McKeansburg; Zions, West Brunswick; St. Johannis, Lewistown.	J. N. S. Erb.....	Orwigsburg.
Pottsville	Deutsche Trinitatis, Pottsville.....	G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D..	Pottsville.
Ringtown.....	St. Johannes, Ringtown; Mt. Zions, Zions Grove; St. Peters, Nürnberg; Grace, Brandonville; Beaver, Beaver Valley, Columbia Co.	D. D. Bartholomew.....	Ringtown.
Shenandoah.....	St. Johannes, Shenandoah.....	J. Gruhler.....	Shenandoah.
Schuylkill Haven.....	Jerusalems, Schuylkill Haven; St. Paulus, S. Manheim Twp.; St. Johannis, Friedensburg.	E. H. Smoll.....	Schuylkill Haven.
Tamaqua, St. Johannes...	Deutsche St. Johannes, Tamaqua.....	P. F. A. Glasow.....	Tamaqua.
„ Zions.....	Zions, Tamaqua; Christus, Rush Twp.....	J. D. Schlenker.....	„
Tremont	St. Johannes, Tremont; Friedens, Barry Twp.; Friedens, Hegins Twp.	D. Sanner.....	Tremont.
Pfarrstellen..... 11	Gemeinden..... 25		
	Vierte Conferenz.		
	Cumberland Co.		
Mechanicsburg.....	St. Markus, Mechanicsburg; St. Johannes, Hampden Twp.....	H. N. Fegley	Mechanicsburg.
Pfarrstellen..... 1	Gemeinden..... 2		
	Dauphin Co.		
Harrisburg, St. Michaelis.	Deutsche St. Michaelis, Harrisburg.....	J. G. Pfuhl.....	Harrisburg.

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Harrisburg, Zion	Deutsche Zions, Harrisburg	J. G. Abele	Harrisburg.
Pfarrstellen..... 2	Gemeinden..... 2		
	Lancaster Co.		
Brickerville	Brickerville, Warwick Twp.; White Oak; Rothsville	H. E. Semmel	Litiz.
Columbia, St. Paulus	Deutsche St. Paulus, Columbia; Concordia, Chestnut Hill	J. A. Darmstätter	Columbia.
„ St. Johannes	Englische St. Johannes, Ecke 6. und Locust Str.	J. R. Shoffner	„
Elizabethtown	Christus, Manheim Str., Elizabethtown	Geo. Seaman	Elizabethtown.
Ephrata	Heilige Dreieinigkeits, Ephrata; Salems; Schöneck; Schwamm	E. S. Brownmiller	Ephrata.
Lancaster, Christus	Christus, West King Str, Lancaster	E. L. Reed	Lancaster.
„ Grace	Grace, James Str. zwischen Duke und Queen Str., Lancaster	C. E. Haupt	„
„ Trinity	Trinitatis, Duke Str., südlich von King	C. L. Fry	„
„ Zions	Deutsche Zions	F. P. Mayser	„
Marietta	Deutsch-englische Zions, Walnut Str., Marietta	Geo. Ph. Müller	Marietta.
Mechanicsburg	Zions, Main Str., Mechanicsburg	J. Kohler	Leacock.
Millersville	St. Paulus, Millersville; Zions, Rohrerstown; St. Michaels Ost Main Str., Straßburg.	J. W. Early	Millersville.
Mount Joy	Trinitatis, Mount Joy	J. H. Umbenhen	Mount Joy.
New Holland	Trinitatis, Main Str., New Holland	J. W. Haßler	New Holland.
Reamstown	Salem; St. Johannes; St. Paulus; Bergstraß; Muddy Creek	B. G. Welder	Reamstown.
Pfarrstellen..... 15	Gemeinden..... 27		
	Lebanon Co.		
Jonestown	Zions, Jonestown	A. B. Markley	Jonestown.
Lebanon (2)	Salems, 8. Str., Lebanon; St. Paulus, Annville	B. W. Schmauk T. E. Schmauk	Lebanon. „
Myerstown	Friedens, Main Str., Myerstown; St. Johannes, Mt. Aetna, Berks Co.	F. J. F. Schantz	Myerstown.
Palmyra	Palmyra; Campbellstown, Londonderry Twp.; Bindnagels, Londonderry Twp.; St. Maria (Schell's), West Hanover Twp., Dauphin Co.; Wenrich's, Lower Parton Twp., Dauphin Co.	J. W. Gauker	Palmyra.
Walmer's	Walmer's und Sattazahn's, Union Twp.; Zions, Ost Hanover; Lickdale und Moonshine (Predigtplätze).	S. B. Stupp	Lickdale.
Zoar	Zoars, Mt. Zion; St. Paulus, Hamlin, Bethel Twp.; St. Johannes, Frederiksburg, Monroe Valley, Swatara Twp.	H. Gieß	Jonestown.
Pfarrstellen..... 7	Gemeinden..... 17		
	Fünfte Conferenz.		
	Clinton Co.		
Lock Haven	Erste evang.-luth., Front Str., Lock Haven	J. Darmstätter	Lock Haven.
Pfarrstellen..... 1	Gemeinden..... 1		

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Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Columbia Co.		
Berwick	St. Johannes, Mifflinville; Briar Creek, Briar Creek Twp.; St. Jakobs, Nescopek Twp.; St. Jakobus, Hollenbach Twp.; Wapwallopen, Conyngham Twp.; Mt. Zion, Nescopek Twp.; St. Paulus, Salem Twp., Luzerne Co.	J. P. German	Berwick.
Catawissa	St. Johannes, Main Str., Catawissa; St. Paulus, Numidia, Locust Twp.; Emanuels, Main Twp.	J. H. Reiman	Catawissa.
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 10		
	Dauphin Co.		
Lykens	St. Johannes, Lykens; St. Paulus, Tower City, Schuylkill Co.; St. Peters, Johnstown, Schuylkill Co.	M. B. Lenker	Lykens.
Lykens Valley	St. Johannes, nahe Berrysburg; Salems; Elizabethville; Miller's, Armstrong Valley; Gratz, Gratztown.	J. Hillpot	Elizabethville.
Stone Valley	Zions, Uniontown, Dauphin Co.; St. Lukas, (Vera Cruz); Stone Valley; Georgtown, Lower Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co.	W. H. Geiger	Pillow.
Upper Lykens Valley	Klingers und Colemans, Lykens Twp., Dauphin Co.; Artz, Hubly Twp.; Schuylkill Co.	S. S. Henry	"
Pfarrstellen 4	Gemeinden 15		
	Lycoming Co.		
Cogan Station	Cogan Station; Jersey Shore	D. E. Reed	Cogan Station.
Williamsport	Englisch-Luth. Kirche, Market Str., Williamsport	A. L. Yount	Williamsport.
White Dear und Jersey Shore	White Dear, Dewald, Jersey Shore	Wird von den benachbarten Past. versorgt.	
Pfarrstellen 3	Gemeinden 6		
	Montour Co.		
Danville, deutsche	St. Johannes, Market Str., Danville; St. Jakobus, Mahoning Twp.; St. Peters, Cooper Twp.	J. R. Groff	Danville.
" Trinitatis	Englische Trinitatis, Ecke Market und Church Str.	C. K. Drummheller	"
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 5		
	Northumberland Co.		
Line Mountain	St. Jakobs und St. Johannes, Upper Mahanoy Twp.; St. Paulus und St. Peters, Cameron Twp.; Grace, Shamokin (Mission); St. Johannes, Barry Twp.; Zions und Salems, Schuylkill Co.	H. Weicksel	Line Mountain.

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Mahanoy	Himmels; St. Johannes, Jackson Twp.; St. Paulus; Emanuels; Davids; Herdon; — St. Peters, Jackson Twp. (Letztere Gemeinde wird zur Zeit von Past. W. H. Geiger versorgt.)	D. M. Stettler	Mahanoy.
Trevorton	Emanuels, 4. und Market Str., Trevorton; Elias, Lower Augustus Twp.; Emanuels, Rockafeller Twp.	Vakant	
Turbotville	Zions, Turbotville; Washingtonville, Montour Co.	A. P. Pflüger	Turbotville.
Pfarrstellen 4	Gemeinden 19		
	Snyder Co.		
Beavertown	St. Johannes, West Beaver Twp.; Christus, Franklin Twp.; St. Matthäus, McClure; St. James, Troxelville; St. Paulus, Beavertown; St. Marcus, Dekatur, Mifflin Co.	O. E. Pflüger	Beavertown.
Freeburg	St. Peters, Freeburg; St. Johannes, Fremont; Salems, Salem; St. Peters, Meiser Station; St. Paulus, Middle Creek; Botschafts, Chapman Twp.	J. F. Wampole	Freeburg.
Selinsgrove	Erste Ev.-Luth. Kirche, Market Str., Selinsgrove; Zions (gemeinschaftlich), Kratzerville.	S. E. Ochsenford	Selinsgrove.
Snyder Co.-Mission	Richfield; Arbogust; Leiningers	Vakant	
Pfarrstellen 4	Gemeinden 18		
	Sullivan Co.		
Dushore	Zions und Friedens, Cherry Twp.; St. Johannes, Wilmot Twp., Bradford Co.	S. Wenrich	Dushore.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 3		
	Tioga und Potter Counties.		
Potter- u. Tioga-Mission	Germania, Potter Co., nebst einer Anzahl von Predigtplätzen	Vakant	
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 1		

Gemeinden, die nicht zur Synode gehören, aber von Pastoren des Ministeriums bedient werden.

Allegheny	Allegheny	B. Pick, Ph. D.	Allegheny.
Augusta, Georgia	Augusta, Georgia	D. M. Martens	Augusta, Georgia.
Bridgeton	Bridgeton, N. J.	M. Steck	Bridgeton, N. J.
Brooklyn	St. Paulus, Ecke Rodney und 5. Str., Brooklyn, N. Y.	H. B. Strodach	306 Rodney Str.

Es gehören zur I. Conferenz, 55 Parochien, 78 Gemeinden, 75 Geistliche.
II. „ 54 „ 118 „ 64 „
III. „ 31 „ 95 „ 34 „
IV. „ 25 „ 48 „ 30 „
V. „ 22 „ 78 „ 23 „

Gesammtzahl der Parochien des Ministeriums 187; der Gemeinden 417. Bei 25 Geistlichen konnte keine Conferenzverbindung angegeben werden.

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Zusammenstellung.

Geistliche	Pastoren von Gemeinden oder Parochien	188	
	Pastoren, die zugleich Professoren sind	2	
	Pastoren-Gehülfen	3	
	Professoren und Lehrer	11	
	*Pastoren ohne Gemeinden und im Ruhestand	40	
	Missionare in Indien	7	
			251
Gemeinden	(4 nicht eingeschlossen, die von Pastoren des Ministeriums bedient werden, aber nicht zur Synode gehören)		417
	Parochien des Ministeriums		187
	Confirmirte Glieder	95,046	
	Zum Abendmahl gingen	76,813	
Zunahme. —	Durch Confirmation	5,436	
	Aus luth. Gemeinden	1,688	
	Aus andern Gemeinschaften	398	
	Durch Taufe Erwachsener	331	
			7,853
	Kindertaufen		8,693
Abnahme. —	Durch Tod	1,815	
	Durch Wegzug	1,114	
	Durch Ausschluß	127	
			3,056
Sonntagschulen. —	1. Lutherische	221	
	Lehrer	4,947	
	Schüler	45,247	
	2. Unlutherische	270	
	Lehrer	2,620	
	Schüler	25,583	

Gesammtzahl der Sonntag-Schulen 491, der Lehrer 7,567, der Schüler 70,830.

Gemeindeschulen	14	
Lehrer	29	
Schüler	1,350	

*) Hier sind diejenigen eingeschlossen, welche bei der letzten Synode ordiniert wurden und noch keine bestimmte Pfarrstelle haben, oder über die die Secretäre nichts in Erfahrung bringen konnten.

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Beiträge: — 1. Für Gemeinde-Zwecke:

a) Laufende Ausgaben			$248,554 14
b) Für besondere Zwecke			222,308 40
2. Für Synodal-Zwecke:			
a) Allgemeine Kasse	$16,679 70		
b) Theologisches Seminar	9,742 66		
c) Mühlenberg-Collegium	3,048 15		
d) Waisenhaus und Asyl	7,162 11		
			36,632 62
3. Für das General-Concil	$3,967 29		
a) Englische einheimische Mission.	6,394 37		
b) Deutsche „ „	3,705 09		
			14,066 75
4. Sonstige wohlthätige Zwecke			12,651 65
Gesammtsumme			$534,213 56

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Anhang A.

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Ich bescheinige hiedurch den Empfang der folgenden Beiträge für Synodalzwecke, welche mir vom 1.—8. Juni 1887 von den angegebenen Pastoren und Pfarrstellen einbezahlt worden sind:

Für die Synodal-Kasse.

Pastor	E. A. Bauer	$	88 39	Pastor	J. W. Lazarus	$	41 07
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„	C. K. Binder		20 —	„	A. B. Markley		27 37
„	H. H. Bruning		7 84	„	J. W. Mayne		60 —
„	D. L. Coleman		25 —	„	F. P. Mayser		75 —
„	J. J. Creßman		35 —	„	G. P. Müller		17 —
„	J. A. Darmstätter		40 —	„	W. A. C. Müller		5 01
„	J. Darmstätter		30 —	„	J. Neff		45 —
„	J. C. Dizinger		50 —	„	A. P. Pflüger		119 29
„	C. K. Drumheller		15 —	„	J. G. Pfuhl		60 —
„	J. N. S. Erb		130 —	„	E. H. Pohle		25 —
„	H. S. Fegley		50	„	W. Rath		223 88
„	A. Finfrock		144 25	„	D. E. Reed		25 —
„	J. F. C. Fluck		25 —	„	D. H. Reiter		100 —
„	G. D. Foust		25 —	„	J. S. Renninger		100 —
„	S. A. K. Francis		100 —	„	R. D. Röder		25 25
„	C. L. Fry		225 —	„	C. E. Sandt		24 —
„	G. C. Gardner		8 —	„	D. Sanner		20 —
„	G. F. Gardner		20 —	„	M. Schimpf		20 —
„	J. W. Gauker		27 53	„	B. M. Schmucker, D. D.		200 —
„	W. H. Geiger		11 90	„	W. F. Schöner		75 —
„	D. H. Geissinger		300 —	„	J. A. Seiß, D.D., LL.D. Persönlicher Beitrag		10 —
„	E. H. Gerhart		10 34	„	H. E. Semmel		33 25
„	R. Gerlach		50 —	„	O. P. Smith		175 —
„	J. P. German		60 —	„	A. Späth, D. D.		267 —
„	H. Gieß		126 —	„	D. M. Stetler, Beavertown Pfarrbezirk		30 —
„	H. Grahn		129 75	„	D. M. Stetler, Mahanoy Pfarrbezirk		29 58
„	L. Groh		75 —	„	W. H. Strauß		117 50
„	J. R. Groff		25 —	„	A. M. Strauß		90 —
„	G. F. W. Günsch		42 —	„	G. A. Strunz		35 —
„	J. W. Haßler		85 —	„	S. B. Stupp		47 27
„	T. Heilig		20 —	„	D. D. Trexler		60 —
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„	J. H. Kuder		50 —				
„	C. Kühn		55 —				
„	J. J. Kündig		100 —				

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„ M. L. Zweizig	15 —	Versammlung	$51 81
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„ H. S. Fegley	5 —	„ D. M. Stetler, Beaver-	
„ J. P. German	5 —	town Pfarrbezirk	5 —
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Anhang B.

Form des Freibriefs.

Hiermit wird bekannt gemacht, daß die Unterzeichneten sammt ihren Theilnehmern ..... sich zu einer Gemeinde formirten zu ..... mit der Absicht, der Verehrung des allmächtigen Gottes und zwar nach dem Bekenntniß, Lehre, Ordnung und Gebräuchen der Ev.-Luth. Kirche und mit dem Verlangen, rechtliche Anerkennung zu gewinnen als eine Corporation nach den Provisionen der von der General-Assembly des Staates Pennsylvanien erlassenen „Acte vom 29. April 1874". Dieselben erklären hiermit und setzen fest, daß das Nachfolgende die Absichten, Zwecke, Artikel und Bedingungen besagter Verbindung feststellt, auf welche hin sie rechtliche Anerkennung zu erlangen wünschen.

1. Der Name der Corporation soll sein .....

2. Diese Corporation ist formirt mit der Absicht der Verehrung des allmächtigen Gottes in Uebereinstimmung mit dem Glaubensbekenntniß, der Lehre, Ordnung und Gebräuchen der Evang.-Luth. Kirche. Sie bekennt sich zu und bindet sich an die kanonischen Bücher des Alten und Neuen Testamentes als das geoffenbarte Wort Gottes und die ausschließliche Regel für Lehre und Leben, und sie bekennt sich zu und bindet sich an die Bekenntnisse der Evang.-Luth. Kirche, vorzüglich die Ungeänderte Augsburgische Konfession und Luthers Kleinen Katechismus als die richtige und wahrheitstreue Auslegung des Wortes Gottes, wonach alles Bekennen und Lehren in Kirche, Schule und Familie sich richten soll, wonach alle Lehrfragen zu entscheiden sind und womit alle Erbauungs- und Lehrbücher in Gemeinden und Schulen übereinstimmen müssen.

3. Die Lokalität besagter Corporation und der Ort, wo dieselbe ihre Geschäfte zu vollziehen hat, ist .....

4. Die Existenz derselben Corporation ist für andauernde Zeiten.

5. Die Namen und Wohnungen der Unterzeichneten sind:

Diese Corporation hat kein Capital auf Actien basirt. Die Glieder derselben bestehen aus den Unterschriebenen und ihren Mitgenossen und anderen Personen, die von Zeit zu Zeit in Uebereinstimmung mit den Forderungen der Nebengesetze aufgenommen werden mögen. Besagte Corporation soll aber das Recht und die Macht haben, in sie aufgenommene Glieder auszuschließen, auszustoßen oder zu suspendiren aus solchen gerechten und gesetzlichen Ursachen und in solcher gesetzlichen Weise, wie dies die Nebengesetze angeben und vorschreiben.

6. Die Oberaufsicht und Verwaltung besagter Corporation ruhet in einem Kirchenrath, der besteht aus dem Pastor oder den Pastoren und nicht weniger als ..... noch mehr als ..... Laiengliedern der Corporation; unter allen Umständen muß die Mehrheit des Kirchenraths aus Laiengliedern bestehen.

Die Glieder desselben, außer dem Pastor oder den Pastoren, sollen nach geschehener erster Wahl in drei Classen getheilt werden, so daß sie respective ein, zwei und drei Jahre dienen; nachher dauert die Amtszeit aller Erwählten drei Jahre. In dem gottesdienstlichen Gebäude der Corporation oder Gemeinde soll jährlich Wahl gehalten werden, um aus den erwachsenen männlichen Glie-

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dern Personen zu wählen an die Stelle der aus dem Amte Tretenden. Solche Wahl hat zu der in den Nebengesetzen vorgeschriebenen Zeit und nach der dort angezeigten Ordnung und Weise zu geschehen. Glieder des Kirchenraths bleiben in ihrem Amte, bis ihre Nachfolger in gesetzlicher Weise erwählt und ins Amt eingesetzt sind, was nicht ausschließt, daß sie durch besagte Corporation, wegen gesetzlicher Ursache und nach gehöriger und gesetzlicher Notizgebung und Verhör nach Vorschrift der Nebengesetze vom Amte mögen entfernt werden.

Die Namen und Wohnungen der Glieder des ersten Kirchenrathes und die respectiven Termine ihres Amtes sind:

Namen: Wohnung: Amtstermin:

Die Corporation oder Gemeinde hat die Macht, reales und persönliches Eigenthum nach den Forderungen ihrer Zwecke zu besitzen innerhalb der vom Gesetz gezogenen Schranke. Alles Eigenthum ist der Controle und Verfügung der Laienglieder dieser Corporation unterworfen. Die Constitution und deren Anordnungen gelten als die Nebengesetze und haben Gesetzeskraft, jedoch in Unterordnung unter diesen Freibrief, die Constitution und Gesetze von Pennsylvanien und die Constitution der Vereinigten Staaten. Für eine Aenderung oder Verbesserung derselben muß eines ihrer Nebengesetze sorgen, das auch die Amtsgewalt und die Amtspflichten des ersten Kirchenraths und der späteren festsetzt, sowie auch die Zeiten und Orte der Versammlung des Kirchenrathes oder der Gemeinde für Geschäfte und für Gottesdienste; ebenso die Zahl der Glieder, die ein Quorum bilden für die Versammlungen der Gemeinde oder des Kirchenrathes; die Qualificationen und die Art der Wahl von Gliedern der Gemeinde; die Art der Wahl von Beamten und auch die Macht und die Pflichten solcher amtlichen Personen und alle übrigen Angelegenheiten und die innere Verwaltung der Gemeinde.

Aenderungen dieses Freibriefs können gemacht werden nur durch Zustimmung von sieben Achttheilen der stimmberechtigten Glieder der Gemeinde bei einer Wahl, für welche wenigstens zwei Drittheile des Kirchenrathes stimmen, nachdem wenigstens vier Wochen zuvor die vorgeschlagenen Aenderungen von der Kanzel aus öffentlich angezeigt und von dem zustehenden Landesgericht gebilligt und erlaubt worden sind; jedoch ist absolut ausgeschlossen und verboten, jede Aenderuug, welche der Gemeinde den Namen Evangelisch-Lutherisch nehmen oder ihre Lehrgrundlage verändern würde.

Solches bezengen mit ihrem Siegel und Handschriften ..... heute am ..... im Jahr des Herrn .....

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Staat Pennsylvanien, } SS.
County ..... }

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für das County .....
Gerichtsterm No. .....

Hiermit wird angezeigt, daß bei besagtem Gericht am .....
188 , um 10 Uhr Vormittags, unter der Acte der Legislatur des Staates Pennsylvanien, benannt "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations" vom 27. April 1874 und deren Supplemente, Application im Interesse einer beabsichtigten Corporation mit dem Namen ..... und unter dem Charakter und Zweck ..... gemacht werden wird mit der Absicht, daß diese Corporation alle Rechte, Vortheile und Privilegien besagter Acte der Legislatur und deren Supplemente empfange und genieße.

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In der Court of Common Pleas.

No..... des Termins No.....

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vor mir am .....
..... A. D.

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von ..... des ..... Termins, 18.....
No.....

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welche während der 141. Jahres-Sitzung in den verschiedenen lutherischen Kirchen in Lancaster gehalten wurden.

Donnerstag, den 24. Mai, Vormittags 10 Uhr, in der Trinitatis-Kapelle Beichtgottesdienst; hierauf in der Trinitatis-Kirche Hauptgottesdienst. Synodalpredigt vom Ehrw. Präsidenten, Dr. G. F. Krotel, über Eph. 4, 3.; sodann Feier des heiligen Abendmahls.

Donnerstag Abend, 7½ Uhr, in der deutschen Zions-Kirche, Ehrw. F. P. Mayser, Pastor. Ansprache von Pastor G. F. Spieker, D. D., über Erziehung und von Pastor J. Gruhler über Mission; beide Ansprachen waren deutsch. Pastor J. Darmstätter leitete den Gottesdienst.

Freitag Abend, den 25. Mai, wurden in der Gnaden-Kirche, Ehrw. C. E. Houpt, Pastor, englische Ansprachen gehalten, und zwar von Ehrw. C. J. Cooper über Erziehung und von Ehrw. Enoch Smith über Mission. Pastor L. H. Geschwind leitete den Gottesdienst.

Samstag Abend, den 26. Mai, fand in der Christus-Kirche, Ehrw. E. L. Reed, Pastor, eine Versammlung im Interesse der Waisensache statt. Der Ehrw. W. J. Mann, D. D., und Pastor J. S. Renninger redeten deutsch und Pastor T. E. Schmauk und Herr Heinrich Lehman englisch. Der Ehrw. J. H. Umbenhen leitete den Altardienst.

Sonntag Vormittag und Abend, den 27. Mai, predigten Glieder des Ministeriums in den verschiedenen lutherischen Kirchen der Stadt.

Sonntag Nachmittag hielten verschiedene Pastoren Ansprachen in den Sonntagschulen.

Dienstag Abend, den 29. Mai, fand in der Trinitatis-Kirche die Ordination von 16 Kandidaten des Predigtamts statt. Pastor S. Laird, D. D., hielt die Ordinationspredigt über 1. Thess. 2, 1—12.

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zu Lancaster, Pa.

Die einhunderteinundvierzigste Jahres-Versammlung des **„Evangelisch-Lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und den angrenzenden Staaten"** wurde am Donnerstag, den 24. Mai 1888, Vormittags 10 Uhr, in der englischen evang.-luth. Trinitatis-Kirche zu Lancaster, Pa. Ehrw. C. L. Fry, Pastor, eröffnet. Nach vorangegangener Beichte, welche in der Trinitatis-Kapelle vom Präsidenten Ehrw. G. F. Krotel D. D., und vom deutschen Sekretär L. Lindenstruth gehalten wurde, begaben sich die anwesenden Prediger und Gemeinde-Abgeordneten in die festlich geschmückte Kirche. Der Ehrw. Präsident hielt die Synodalpredigt über Epheser 4, 3: „Seid fleißig zu halten die Einigkeit im Geist, durch das Band des Friedens." Darauf folgte die Feier des heiligen Abendmahls.

1. Synodal-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

Lancaster, Pa.,

Donnerstag, den 24. Mai 1888, halb 3 Uhr Nachm.

Der Ehrw. Präsident eröffnete die Synode nach dem Formular in der Agende. Darauf wurde die Liste der zum Ministerium gehörenden Prediger und sodann die der in Verbindung mit dem Ministerium stehenden Gemeinden und Parochien und ihrer Abgeordneten verlesen, und die noch nicht angemeldeten Namen eingetragen.

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	Geistliche.	Trat ins Amt.	Trat in die Synode.	Wohnort.	Laien-Abgeordnete.
1	e J. Jäger	1827	1827	Allentown	Nicht mehr im activen Dienst.
2	a J. Röller	1829	1829	Kutztown	" " " " "
3	e H. J. Schmidt, D. D.	1829	1879	New York City	Prof. Emer. des Columbia Collegiums.
4	e C. F. Welden	1833	1836	817 Holly Str., West Philadelphia	Nicht mehr im activen Dienst.
5	C. W. Schäffer, D. D., LL. D.	1835	1835	4784 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia	Präsident der Facultät des Theol. Seminars und Pastor Emer. von St. Michaels, Germantown.
6	e C. L. Erle	1840	1840	Colly, Sullivan Co.	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
7	W. G. Laitzle	1840	1841 1853	Lebanon	" " "
8	E. A. Bauer	1841	1842	Hazleton	
9	W. J. Mann, D. D. LL. D.	1842	1851	114 N. 34. Str., West Philadelphia	Prof. am Theol. Seminar und Pastor Emer. der Zions-Gem., Philadel'a.
10	J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D.	1842	1865	1338 Spring Garden Str., Philadelphia	Wm. H. Staake, Esq.
11	a W. Weaver	1843	1853	Phönixville	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
12	e A. J. Weddell	1843	1868	Norristown	Pastor Emer. der Trinitatis-Gem., Norristown.
13	e W. S. Emery	1844	1862	Frenchtown, N. J.	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
14	J. Kohler	1844	1849	Leacock, Lancaster Co.	Franklin Bender.
15	B. Sadtler, D. D.	1844	1856 1877	14 E. Huntingdon Ave., Baltimore, Md.	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
16	a J. C. Schmidt	1844	1844	Mahanoy, Northumberland Co.	" " "
17	a J. G. Abele	1846	1882	57 Van Reipen Ave., Jersey City, N. J.	
18	a W. Gerhard, D. D.	1847	1848 1854 1861	Martinsburg, W. Va.	" " "
19	B. M. Schmucker, D. D.	1847	1853	Pottstown	Wm. J. Missimer.
20	G. F. Krotel, D.D. (Präs. d. Min.) LL.D.	1848	1848 1879	49 West 21. Str., New York City	Wm. Hauff.
21	F. Walz	1848	1848	Sellersville	
22	H. Weickfel	1848	1864	Line Mountain, Northumberland Co.	
23	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.	1849	1884	Philippsburg, N. J.	
24	D. M. Henkel, D. D.	1849	1856 1883	Catasauqua	Col. M. Horn.
25	C. Kühn	1849	1884	90 South Str., Wilkesbarre	
26	J. K. Plitt	1850	1874	48 Nord 36. Str., West Philadelphia	

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27		G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.	1851	1851	Pottsville	
28	a	T. Steck	1851	1857	Bridgeton, N. J.	
29	e	P. F. Zizelmann	1851	1860	226 Mifflin Ave., Scranton	
30		Wm. Rath	1852	1852	Allentown	
31		J. Fry, D. D.	1853	1865	Reading	Levi Ließ.
32		G. F. Gardner	1853	1853	Allentown	
33		B. W. Schmauk	1853	1853	Lebanon	Wm. Beyerly.
34		J. W. Haßler	1854	1854	New Holland, Lancaster Co	Heinrich Weiler.
35		R. Hill, (Agent des Seminars)	1854	1874	East Mt. Airy Ave., Philadelphia	
36	e	F. A. Mühlenberg, D. D., LL. D.	1854	1854	4307 Walnut Str., West Philadelphia	
37		F. Berkemeyer	1855	1855	Sellersville	Samuel Wolf.
38	a	D. M. Martens	1855	1882	Augusta, Ga	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
39		H. Grahn	1856	1856	1009 Süd 4. Str., Philadelphia	Georg C. Böhm.
40		J. F. Wampole	1856	1868	Freeburg, Snyder Co	Prof. D. S. Boyer.
41		F. J. F. Schantz	1857	1858	Myerstown	Heinrich Huber.
42		B. E. Kramlich	1858	1859	Kutztown	Heinrich J. Trexler.
43	e	D. Kuntz	1858	1858	Nazareth	
44		J. A. Darmstätter	1859	1859	Columbia	
45		A. Finfrock	1859	1865	Womelsdorf	
46		A. R. Horne, D. D.	1859	1870	Allentown	W. T. Breinig.
47		O. Leopold	1859	1859	Fogelsville, Lecha Co	
48		D. Sanner	1859	1859	Tremont	
49		J. H. Voß	1859	1872	Ansonia	
50		B. D. Zweizig	1859	1859	Reading	
51		H. H. Bruning	1860	1867 / 1881	White Haven	Heinrich Hemsath.
52		J. W. Early	1860	1860	Millersville	Heinrich Sommer.
53		J. H. Fritz	1860	1871	York	Nicht im activen Dienst.
54		J. J. Kündig	1860	1860	609 Walnut Str., Reading	Heinrich Georg Mayer.
55	e	A. Martin, D. D.	1860	1870	Gettysburg	Prof. im Penn'a College.
56		Ph. Pfatteicher	1860	1860	Easton	
57		Enoch Smith	1860	1882	Bethlehem	C. L. Barron.
58	e	G. A. Strunz	1860	1862	Pittston	
59	a	J. R. Groff	1861	1870 / 1875	Mount Pleasant	
60	e	Th. Heilig	1861	1870	Stroudsburg	
61		S. Laird, D. D., (Schatzmeister)	1861	1865 / 1880	1314 Spring Garden Str., Philadel'a	J. J. Mohr, / Heinrich Bätes, Stellvertreter.

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62	e J. H. Schmidt	1861	1864	Freeland	
63	A. Späth, D. D., (Prof. im Sem.)	1861	1865	1615 Girard Ave., Philadelphia	Michael Urban.
64	A. M. Strauß	1861	1875	Gilberts, Monroe Co.	E. R. Gearhart.
65	J. M. Anspach, (Engl. Secretär).	1862	1868 / 1878	Easton	Franz Alsfeld.
66	B. F. Apple	1862	1862	Bangor, Northampton Co.	
67	W. B. Fox	1862	1863	Sumneytown	Carl Z. Erb.
68	*J. B. Fox	1862	1888	Slatington	
69	J. G. Pfuhl	1862	1876	Harrisburg	F. W. Liesmann.
70	H. Gieß	1863	1866	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.	Tyrus Smeltzer.
71	L. Groh	1863	1863	Boyertown, Berks Co.	Georg Yorgey.
72	G. F. W. Günsch	1863	1863	Minersville	Jonas Laubenstein.
73	M. C. Horine	1863	1873	Reading	John Fink.
74	J. S. Renninger	1863	1864	Allentown	
75	M. Schimpf	1863	1863 / 1868	Frankford, Philadelphia	Carl D. Hahn.
76	S. A. K. Francis	1864	1867	1431 Süd 10. Str., Philadelphia	
77	M. H. Richards	1864	1864 / 1869	Allentown	Prof. am Mühlenberg Collegium.
78	W. Rieb	1864	1864	140 Court Str., Newark, N. J.	
79	J. C. Dizinger	1865	1865	Camden, N. J.	
80	M. B. Lenker	1865	1873	Lykens, Dauphin Co.	Rudolph Busse.
81	W. O. Cornman	1866	1866	Reading	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
82	G. W. Frederick	1866	1869	117 N. 6. Str., Philadelphia	Geschäfts-Agent des "Lutheran" und luth. Buchhändler.
83	J. Gruhler	1866	1872	Shenandoah	
84	H. E. Jacobs, D. D.	1866	1874	4104 Powelton Ave., West Philadelphia	Prof. im Philadelphia Seminar.
85	J. S. Shoffner	1866	1885	Columbia	
86	J. J. Creßman	1867	1867	Kutztown	
87	J. Hillpot	1867	1871	Elizabethville, Dauphin Co.	W. S. Boyer.
88	D. K. Humbert	1867	1867	Bowers, Berks Co.	
89	J. D. Schindel	1867	1867	Allentown	Tilghman G. Helfrich.
90	T. L. Seip, D. D.	1867	1867	Allentown	Präsident des Mühlenberg Collegiums.
91	G. F. Spieker, D. D.	1867	1867	Allentown	J. O. Knauß.

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92	J. Zentner	1867	1867–1873	Philipsburg, N. J.	
93	J. H. Gable	1868	1874	Reading	W. S. Duchman.
94	e R. Gerlach	1868	1884	Trenton, N. J.	
95	e J. M. Hantz	1868	1874	Watertown, Wis.	Prof. zu Watertown, Wis.
96	S. S. Henry	1868	1868	Pillow, Dauphin Co.	Ph. Reed.
97	F. P. Mayser	1868	1868–1875	Lancaster	J. G. Hauser.
98	e B. Pick, Ph. D.	1868	1884	Allegheny	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
99	E. L. Reed	1868	1868	Lancaster	Prof. R. K. Bührle.
100	D. D. Trexler	1868	1868	Bernville, Berks Co.	
101	e F. W. Weiskotten	1868	1868	2126 Hancock Str., Philadelphia	
102	H. S. Fegely	1869	1869	Lynnville, Lecha Co.	
103	L. H. Geschwind	1869	1869–1886	Wilkesbarre	
104	J. Heck	1869	1886	2528 N. 6. Str., Philadelphia	
105	F. K. Huntzinger	1869	1869	Reading	
106	P. Isenschmid, M.D.	1869	1869	Wilmington, Del.	
107	A. Linsz	1869	1879	1412 Tioga Str., Philadelphia	
108	J. H. Meyer	1869	1885	Mahanoy City	
109	e D. E. Reed	1869	1882	Cogan Station, Lycoming Co.	
110	S. A. Repaß, D. D.	1869	1869–1886	Allentown	T. H. Diehl.
111	W. A. Schäffer	1869	1869	Station G., Philadelphia	Prof. S. P. Sadtler.
112	e H. C. Schmidt, (Missionar)	1869	1869	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
113	C. J. Cooper	1870	1870	Allentown	Finanz-Agent des Mühlenberg Colleg.
114	D. K. Kepner	1870	1870	Pottstown	Benj. Missimer.
115	W. H. Strauß	1870	1870	Lehighton	
116	J. W. Bieber	1871	1871	Bethlehem	Benj. F. Wagner
117	F. F. Bürmeyer	1871	1871	60 Ost 122. Str., New York	
118	G. D. Foust	1871	1871	North Wales	
119	e J. K. Poulsen, (Missionar)	1871	1871	Samulcotta, Ost-Indien	
120	W. H. Rickert	1871	1871	Williamsport	
121	F. Wischan	1871	1871	726 N. 7. Str., Philadelphia	O. Schraishuhn.
122	H. N. Fegely	1872	1872	Mechanicsburg	David Dietz.
123	D. H. Geissinger	1872	1872	Easton	Wm. G. Heller.
124	F. Zelden	1872	1887	110 Duval Str., Germantown	
125	J. Neff	1872	1872	Spring City, Chester Co.	Johann Kuster.

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126	J. N. S. Erb †	1873	1873	Orwigsburg, Schuylkill Co.	
127	M. J. Kramlich	1873	1873	Fogelsville, Lecha Co.	
128	J. J. Kuntz	1873	1873	Conyngham, Luzerne Co	W. Kemp.
129	e W. H. Kuntz	1873	1873	New Castle, Del.	
130	W. C. L. Lauer	1873	1885	Frackville, Schuylkill Co.	Sam. Moyer.
131	J. W. Rumple	1873	1873	310 Livingstone Str., Brooklyn, N. Y.	
132	E. E. Sibole	1873	1875	516 Brown Str., Philadelphia	R. B. Miller.
133	S. A. Ziegenfuß	1873	1873	Bath, Northampton Co.	
134	* H. Peters	1873	1888	Norristown	Sam. High.
135	A. J. Long	1874	1874	Stouchsburg, Berks Co.	Heinrich Kurr.
136	J. H. Neiman	1874	1874	Catawissa	Achtb. F. Schuman.
137	J. F. Ohl	1874	1874	Quakertown	Carl F. Dürner.
138	D. P. Smith	1874	1874	Trappe, Montgomery Co.	F. G. Lewis.
139	B. S. Smoll	1874	1874	Krumsville, Berks Co.	
140	D. M. Stettler	1874	1874	Mahanoy, Northumberland Co.	Elias Schäffer.
141	H. B. Strodach	1874	1874	306 Rodney Str., Brooklyn, N. Y.	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
142	F. P. Bender	1875	1875	2304 Ost York Str., Philadelphia	Carl F. Braun.
143	E. S. Brownmiller	1875	1881	Ephrata	Peter W. Weidmann.
144	D. L. Coleman	1875	1875	Doylestown, Bucks Co.	John L. Kramer.
145	C. E. Houpt	1875	1875	21 Ost James Str., Lancaster	Lorenz Bau.
146	e J. C. Nibecker	1875	1875	228 Franklin Str., Philadelphia	Michael Langenstein.
147	J. A. Scheffer	1875	1886	Allentown	
148	e B. H. Warnke	1875	1886	Canada	
149	e J. A. Baumann	1876	1876 / 1886	Allentown	Prof. im Mühlenberg Collegium.
150	J. S. Erb	1876	1876	Slatington	A. S. Haines.
151	C. J. Hirzel	1876	1876	Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia	J. L. Heilig, Stellvertreter J. G. Finley.
152	W. H. Myers	1876	1876	Reading	
153	A. P. Pflüger	1876	1876	Turbotville, Northumberland Co.	Carl Cotner.
154	e W. Wackernagel, D.D.	1876	1876	Allentown	Deutscher Prof. Mühlenberg Collegium.
155	W. J. Andres	1877	1877	Bath	
156	J. L. Becker	1877	1877	Sellersville	
157	A. C. Droppa	1877	1887	Freeland	
158	a A. E. Erdmann	1877	1877	Nazareth	

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159	L. Lindenstruth, (Deutscher Secr.)	1877	1877	Mauch Chunk
160	M. O. Rath	1877	1877	Allentown
161	L. Smith	1877	1877	Weatherly
162	J. D. Upp	1877	1877	Süd Easton — Joseph Hineline.
163	A. L. Yount	1877	1887	Williamsport — L. Schneider.
164	J. P. German	1878	1878	Berwick, Columbia Co. — J. R. Peifer.
165	C. H. Hemfath	1878	1878/1887	Bethlehem — Johann Walp.
166 e	T. Joseph, (Missionar)	1878	1878	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien
167 a	J. W. Mattern	1878	1878	Stroudsburg
168	G. P. Müller	1878	1878	Marietta, Lancaster Co.
169	W. A. C. Müller	1878	1884	Kutztown — A. B. Johnson.
170 e	N. Paulus, (Missionar)	1878	1878	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien
171	E. H. Pohle	1878	1878	4307 Fairmount Ave., West Philadelphia
172	A. B. Markley	1879	1879	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.
173	S. E. Ochsenford	1879	1879	Selinsgrove
174	R. M. Zimmerman	1879	1884	1814 Diamond Str., Philadelphia
175	E. R. Cassaday	1880	1880	842 Wharton Str., Philadelphia
176	E. K. Drumheller	1880	1880	Danville — Wm. Roat.
177	G. F. C. Fluck	1880	1880	504 West Cumberland Str., Philadelphia
178	J. W. Gauker	1880	1880	Palmyra, Lebanon Co. — E. W. Schell, Esq.
179	W. H. Geiger	1880	1880	Pillow, Dauphin Co. — Geo. D. Moyer, Esq.
180	E. H. Gerhart	1880	1880	Phönixville
181	W. J. Bieber	1881	1881	Hellertown
182	J. P. Deck	1881	1884	5467 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia — H. S. Cassel.
183	C. L. Fry	1881	1881	Lancaster — Joh. F. Sehner.
184	U. P. Heilman	1881	1881	Athol, Berks Co.
185	D. H. Reiter	1881	1881	Richland Centre, Bucks Co. — Alwin Yarrett.
186	H. E. Semmel	1881	1891	Lititz, Lancaster Co. — Wm. Wächter.
187	J. L. Sibole	1881	1881	701 Berks Str., Philadelphia — Martin F. Tregler.
188	E. M. Smith	1881	1881	842 Wharton Str., Philadelphia
189	A. W. Walter	1881	1881/1885	Easton
190 e	M. L. Zweizig	1881	1881	
191 e	W. A. Beates	1882	1882	Lancaster, Ohio — Lehrer.
192 e	F. Dietrich, (Missionar)	1882	1882	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien
193	J. H. Kuder	1882	1882	Lehighton — Franz Schultz.
194	G. S. Seaman	1882	1882	Elizabethtown, Lancaster Co. — F. W. Bätes.

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	Geistliche.	Trat ins Amt.	Trat in die Synode.	Wohnort.	Laien-Abgeordnete.
195	F. K. Berndt	1883	1883	Stellersville, Lecha Co.	Carl Kerschner.
196	C. K. Binder	1883	1883	503 Linden Str., Camden, N. J.	
197	a J. W. Klingler	1883	1883	Stouchsburg	
198	T. E. Schmauk	1883	1883	Lebanon	P. S. Keiser, Esq.
199	S. B. Stupp	1883	1883	Lickdale, Lebanon Co.	J. H. Deininger.
200	J. H. Umbenhen	1883	1883	Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co.	Heinrich Miller.
201	*H. Wendel	1883	1883 / 1888	Harrisburg	Johann Georg Mößner.
202	T. N. Ander	1884	1884	Riverside, N. J.	
203	G. C. Gardner	1884	1884 / 1886	Roxboro, Philadelphia	F. G. H. Wörner.
204	J. W. Mayne	1884	1884	Catasauqua	Samuel Keller.
205	e J. F. C. McCready, (Missionar)	1884	1884	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
206	O. D. Miller	1884	1884	Hamburg, Berks Co.	
207	J. H. Uhrich	1884	1884	Myerstown	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
208	S. Wenrich	1884	1884	Dushore, Sullivan Co.	G. Messerschmidt.
209	P. P. Wisser	1884	1884	Hockendauqua, Lecha Co.	
210	D. D. Bartholomew	1885	1885	Ringtown, Schuylkill Co.	
211	L. J. Bickel	1885	1885	Reading	
212	J. Darmstätter	1885	1885	Lock Haven	Christian Fabel.
213	A. R. J. Gräpp	1885	1885	Millville, N. J.	Heinrich Miller.
214	U. J. Klingensmith	1885	1885	Kimberton, Chester Co.	
215	J. W. Lazarus	1885	1885	Stone Church, Northampton Co.	
216	E. L. Miller	1885	1885	613 Mulberry Str., Scranton	
217	R. D. Röder	1885	1885	Norristown	Ephraim B. Bickel.
218	C. E. Sandt	1885	1885	Freemansburg	Joseph Harmony.
219	E. H. Smoll	1885	1885	Schuylkill Haven	
220	e J. Witke	1885	1886	Baltimore, Md.	
221	A. C. Wuchter	1885	1885	Summit Hill, Carbon Co.	Matthias J. Stout.
222	P. F. A. Glasow	1886	1886	Tamaqua	
223	a F. Kayser	1886	1886	1803 S. 4. Str., Philadelphia	
224	J. J. Kline	1886	1886	New Hanover, Montgomery Co.	Conrad Snell.
225	J. O. Schlenker	1886	1886	Tamaqua	Philipp Kolb.
226	H. C. Schmieder	1886	1886	208 Beaver Str., Philadelphia	Gehilfe Pastor Wischans.
227	Wm. F. Schöner	1886	1886	Süd Bethlehem	

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228	B. G. Welder	1886	1886	Reamstown, Lancaster Co.	Georg D. Schober.
229	*J. J. Foust	1886	1888	Stroudsburg	J. S. Fischer.
230	*J. C. Gräpp	1886	1888	Scranton	
231	Dr. Hermann V. Hilprecht	1887	1887	West Philadelphia	Prof. an der Universität von Penn'a.
232	C. A. Behrens	1887	1887	Cramer Hill, N. J.	
233	Alfred J. L. Breinig	1887	1887	Augustaville, Northumberland Co.	Joh. H. Beck.
234	D. L. Fogelman	1887	1887	Danville, Pa.	
235	a J. A. W. Haas	1887	1887	New York City	
236	H. F. A. Hellwege	1887	1887	Reading	Gehilfe Pastor Kündigs.
237	W. D. C. Keiter	1887	1887	Bethlehem	Wm. Nickum.
238	H. J. Kuder	1887	1887	Hagerstown, Md.	Lehrer.
239	G. G. Kunkel	1887	1887	Weatherly, Carbon Co.	
240	J. D. Leibensberger	1887	1887	Girardville	
241	D. E. Pflüger	1887	1887	Beavertown, Snyder Co.	Jakob Schrader.
242	J. J. Reitz	1887	1887	Cherryville	Johann J. Gable.
243	G. J. Schäffer	1887	1887	Richfield, Juniata Co.	
244	a S. G. Weiskotten	1887	1887	416 W 3. Str., Jamestown, N. Y.	
245	*J. Niemann	1887	1887	Norristown	Jakob Hindennach.
246	*Carl C. Boyer	1888	1888		
247	*W. Dieckhoff	1888	1888	Philadelphia	
248	*F. F. Fry	1888	1888	Philadelphia	
249	*C. C. A. Eberhard Holm	1888	1888	Pottsville	
250	*J. A. Hufford	1888	1888		
251	*Knut O. Lomen	1888	1888		
252	*Rob. B. Lynch	1888	1888		
253	*A. M. Mehrkam	1888	1888	Columbia, Lancaster Co.	F. P. D. Miller.
254	*D. Reber	1888	1888	Unionville, Ontario	
255	*H. H. Rippe	1888	1888	New Germany, N. Y.	
256	*Wm. A. Sadler	1888	1888	Philadelphia	
257	*Ad. M. Weber	1888	1888		
258	*W. Weickfel	1888	1888	Schamokin	
259	*H. Weigand	1888	1888	Philadelphia	
260	*J. H. Wyse	1888	1888		
261	*E. A. Yehl	1888	1888	Coopersburg	W. H. Snyder Esq.
	Vakant: Trinitatis, Steelton	1888	1888		Heinrich Kösel.
	Landsdale	1888	1888		Joh. L. Oberholzer.

Die Pastoren, deren Namen in obiger Liste mit einem * versehen ist, wurden bei der diesjährigen Versammlung aufgenommen. — Die Namen solcher Abgeordneten, die nach der Eröffnung kamen und sich nicht anmeldeten, konnten in obiger Liste nicht angegeben werden. Ein e vor einem Namen, bedeutet abwesend mit Entschuldigung, ein a abwesend ohne Entschuldigung.

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Pastor A. Richter reichte sein Beglaubigungsschreiben als Delegat vom Ministerium von New York ein und überbrachte die freundlichen Grüße dieses Körpers. Er wurde vom ehrw. Präsidenten herzlich bewillkommt und zu Sitz und Stimme in unsern Verhandlungen eingeladen.

Bei der Eröffnung waren (mit Einschluß des Delegaten vom New York-Ministerium) 177 Pastoren und 73 Gemeinde-Abgeordnete und während den verschiedenen Sitzungen 217 Pastoren und 107 Gemeinde-Abgeordnete anwesend. Die diesjährige Synode bestand demnach aus 325 stimmberechtigten Gliedern. Es wurden 6 Prediger aus andern Synoden aufgenommen und 16 Predigtamts-Candidaten ordinirt.

Als Gäste,

welche „mit der Synode in Einigkeit des Glaubens" stehen, wurden folgende Pastoren gemeldet:

Ehrw. G. H. Trabert und W. K. Frick von der schwedischen Augustana-Synode, W. A. Passavant, D. D., W. A. Passavant, jr., H. J. H. Lemcke und J. H. Orr von der Pittsburg-Synode, W. G. Dreßler vom New York-Ministerium.

Nachdem der Körper sich organisirt hatte, verlas der ehrw. Präsident, Dr. G. F. Krotel, seinen Jahresbericht in englischer Sprache, und auf den ausgesprochenen Wunsch verschiedener Synodalen, die „Schlußbemerkungen" auch in deutscher Sprache.

Bericht des Präsidenten.

Geliebte Brüder!

Gewiß würde es Euch, sowie die Glieder dieser ehrwürdigen Gemeinde und alle, die diesen meinen Bericht lesen, befremden, wenn ich bei dieser einhundert und ein und vierzigsten Jahresversammlung gewisse Ereignisse, die uns bei unserer Zusammenkunft als Vertreter der Mutter-Synode unserer lutherischen Kirche in America hier in dieser Trinitatiskirche vor die Seele treten, unberührt lassen würde. Letztes Jahr versammelten wir uns in der Mutter-Gemeinde in Philadelphia, in welcher unsere Synode im Jahre 1748 ihre erste Versammlung hielt. Heute versammeln wir uns, wo sie im Jahre 1749 ihre zweite Versammlung hielt, zwar nicht in dieser Kirche, sondern in der alten, die nicht weit von dieser Stelle stand. Als der Eckstein dieser Kirche, in der wir heute versammelt sind, im Jahre 1761 gelegt wurde, war die Synode wieder in Lancaster in Folge der Einladung der Gemeinde, an dieser Feierlichkeit theilzunehmen. Nachdem Pastor Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg in der alten Kirche gepredigt hatte, begab sich die zahlreiche Versammlung an diese Stätte. Der schwedische Probst, Dr. Wrangel, „schlug darauf drei Mal auf den Eckstein und sprach ein kurzes Gebet." „Ihm folgten der Reihe nach alle Glieder, Prediger und Abgeordneten der Gemeinden, sowie die Glieder des Kirchenraths dieser Gemeinde, traten an den Stein und schlugen drei Mal darauf und beteten im Stillen für die Vollendung und das Fortbestehen des Baues."*)

Als im Jahre 1766 die Zeit der Einweihung der Kirche herbeirückte, sandte der Pastor, Johann Siegfried Gerock, und die Glieder des Kirchenrathes

*) Siehe die Festpredigt Dr. C. F. Schäffer's, Memorial-Band.

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eine Einladung an Dr. H. M. Mühlenberg, „sowie an alle regelmäßig ordinirten lutherischen Prediger von Pennsylvanien und New York und einen oder zwei Aeltesten oder Vorsteher aus jeder Gemeinde." Die Einladung wurde angenommen und Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg hielt die Festpredigt.

Auf diese Weise war die Mutter-Synode von Anfang an mit dieser alten Trinitatiskirche verbunden und nachher auch hat die Synode von Zeit zu Zeit dankbar die Einladungen dieser Gemeinde angenommen. Obwohl die Pastoren und Glieder früherer Jahre dahingeschieden sind, haben doch ihre Nachfolger die Bande, welche die Gemeinde und die alte Synode so lange umschlungen haben, nicht vergessen. Die Namen, die in dieser Gemeinde und in dieser Stadt einen guten Klang haben — z. B. Mühlenberg, Helmuth, Endreß, Bätis, Becker und Grünwald — nehmen auch in der Geschichte unserer Synode den ersten Rang ein und ein bedeutender Theil der Arbeit unserer Synode kam hier zuerst zur Sprache und wurde hier in's Werk gesetzt.

Hier, im Jahre 1866, gerade einhundert Jahre nach jener feierlichen Einweihung, that unser ev.-luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien einen der wichtigsten Schritte in seiner ganzen Geschichte. Nachdem dasselbe den Bericht der von der Versammlung der General-Synode in Fort Wayne zurückgekehrten Delegaten angehört hatte, wurde

„Beschlossen, eine Committee mit folgendem Auftrag zu ernennen:

1. Ein brüderliches Schreiben an alle ev.-luth. Synoden, Prediger und Gemeinden in den Vereinigten Staaten, die sich zur ungeänderten Augsburgischen Confession bekennen, ergehen zu lassen und dieselben einzuladen zu einer Versammlung, die den Zweck haben solle, einen Bund oder eine Vereinigung lutherischer Synoden zu Stande zu bringen.
2. Nach Besprechung mit Gliedern anderer Synoden die Zeit und den Ort dieser Versammlung zu bestimmen, die, wenn möglich, noch im Laufe desselben Jahres gehalten werden sollte.
3. Beschlossen, daß wir jetzt Delegaten ernennen, um uns in solcher Versammlung zu vertreten, nämlich einen Prediger und einen Abgeordneten für je zwölf Prediger unseres Körpers."

Die Pastoren G. F. Krotel, C. P. Krauth, W. J. Mann, C. W. Schäffer und J. A. Seiß bildeten diese Committee. Mein Name stand als der erste auf dieser Liste, sowie auf der der Delegaten zu der vorgeschlagenen Versammlung (die im December desselben Jahres in der Trinitatiskirche, Reading, abgehalten wurde und zur Gründung des General-Concils den Weg bahnte), weil Ihr mir, lieben Brüder, am Anfang jener Synodal-Versammlung von 1866 die Ehre gethan hattet, mich zum Präsidenten zu machen.

Wenn Ihr dabei noch bedenket, daß ich vom Jahre 1853 bis zum Schluß von 1861 der Pastor dieser Gemeinde war und mich für ihre Geschichte, sowie für die der Synode stets interessirt habe, so werdet Ihr es gewiß ganz natürlich finden, nicht nur daß ich an diese Dinge gedacht, sondern dieselben auch vor Euch zur Sprache gebracht habe.

Indem ich nun zu den Dingen des vergangenen Jahres übergehe, gedenke ich, wie gewöhnlich, zuerst an das, was der Tod in unserem Kreise gethan hat.

Todesfälle.

Am 29. August 1887 starb in seinem letzten Arbeitsfeld, Phönixville, Pa., der Ehrw. Heinrich S. Miller, dessen Name schon seit Jahren an der Spitze

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unserer Predigerliste stand, der aber wegen Altersschwäche schon lange nicht unsere Versammlungen besuchen konnte. Bei dem Leichengottesdienste predigte der Ehr. Prof. Dr. C. W. Schäffer über Psalm 118, 17, worauf der Ehrw. Dr. B. M. Schmucker und der Präsident der Synode kurze Reden gehalten und von dem Pastor loci, E. H. Gerhart, eine kurze Lebensbeschreibung verlesen wurde. Ohne Zweifel wird die dazu beauftragte Committee diesem ehrwürdigen Diener der Kirche, der schon im Jahre 1823 in unsere Synode aufgenommen wurde und derselben stets von ganzem Herzen zugethan war und derselben treue Dienste nicht nur auf den jährlichen Synodal-Versammlungen, sondern auch in verschiedenen Gemeinden derselben leistete — Gerechtigkeit widerfahren lassen.

Heute vor acht Tagen betheiligten sich viele von uns mit der großen Gemeinde in der Trinitatiskirche in Reading an dem feierlichen Trauergottesdienst, der vor der Beerdigung des Ehrw. Thomas Theophilus Jäger abgehalten wurde. Er war nach kurzer Krankheit am Sonntag, den 13. Mai 1888, entschlafen.

Nach einem passenden Chorgesang verlas Pastor B. E. Kramlich Abschnitte der Heil. Schrift und Pastor F. J. F. Schantz sprach das Gebet. Darauf folgten kurze Ansprachen von den Pastoren L. Groh, Dr. J. Fry und dem Präsidenten der Synode. Unser verstorbener Bruder trat vor vierzig Jahren in unser Ministerium — in welchem sein Vater schon seit langen Jahren ein geehrtes Glied gewesen war — und während dieser langen Zeit hat er die Achtung, das Zutrauen und die Liebe seiner Amtsbrüder genossen. Er bediente eine Anzahl unserer Gemeinden, die ihm das Zeugniß geben, daß er ein wahrer Diener Jesu Christi und ein treuer Haushalter über Gottes Geheimnisse war. Die dazu bestimmte Committee wird einen Abriß seines Lebens und eine Werthschätzung seines Charakters vorlegen.

Stellenwechsel und Installationen.

Die Vorsitzer dieses Körpers geben von Jahr zu Jahr in ihrem Bericht nach altem Gebrauch den Tag an, an welchem jeder von ihnen berichtete Fall vorgefallen ist. In früheren Jahren, als alle solche Dinge zuerst dem Präsidenten der Synode berichtet wurden, theilte er der Synode mit, an welchem Tag er jede Mittheilung erhalten hatte, und diese Praxis ist bis heute, so weit es möglich ist, aufrecht erhalten worden. Aber jetzt, da viele, wenn nicht die meisten Punkte in seinem Berichte, ihm etliche Wochen vor der Versammlung der Synode in den Berichten der Präsidenten der Conferenzen mitgetheilt werden und das Datum in einzelnen Fällen fehlt, kann er nur berichten, was ihm berichtet wird. Manchmal berichten unsere Amtsbrüder nicht nur, an welchem Tage sie resignirt haben, sondern auch, an welchem die Resignation in Kraft treten solle; auf der anderen Seite berichten andere einfach, daß sie resignirt und eine andere Stelle angenommen haben. In dieser Form kommen dann die einzelnen Punkte in die Hände des Conferenz-Präsidenten und schließlich in den Bericht des Präsidenten der Synode. Das zur Erklärung, warum das Datum in gewissen Fällen nicht gegeben ist. In den früheren Jahren unserer Synode, ehe es kirchliche Blätter gab, war der jährliche Bericht des Präsidenten das einzige Mittel, um den versammelten Vertretern der Gemeinden die im Laufe des Jahres vorgekommenen Veränderungen bekannt zu machen und war auch zu gleicher Zeit der einzige Weg, auf welchem diese Vorkommnisse aufbewahrt werden konnten. Aber in unserer Zeit sind alle diese Dinge lange vor unserer Versammlung allgemein bekannt. Und da diese Vorfälle in Folge

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des Wachsthums unserer Synode bedeutend zugenommen haben, so dürfte es doch fraglich sein, ob es wirklich nöthig ist, das Datum eines jeden Falles in dem Bericht des Präsidenten anzuführen. Wenn es aber der Synode im geschichtlichen Interesse daran gelegen ist, diese Daten aufzubewahren, so sollte es jedem Prediger zur Pflicht gemacht werden, den Tag seiner Resignation und seines Amtsantritts genau anzugeben

Kurz nach unserer letzten Synodalversammlung nahm Pastor Oscar E. Pflüger einen Ruf von der Beavertown Pfarrstelle an und wurde am 24. Juli installirt.

Am zweiten Sonntag nach Trinitatis wurde Pastor F. Jelden in der deutschen St. Thomaskirche in Germantown, Pa., installirt.

Pastor Ernst Behrens wurde Pastor der deutschen luth. Gemeinde in Cramer Hill, Camden Co., N. J.

Am 28. Juni legte Pastor W. M. Rehrig sein Amt an der Girardville Pfarrstelle nieder und nahm einen Ruf von einer nahe bei Greenville, Mercer Co., an.

Am 6. Juli meldete mir Pastor M. L. Zweizig, daß er im Spätjahr 1887 sein Amt an der Holy Trinity Gemeinde in Scranton niederlegen würde.

Am 10. Juli wurde Pastor Johannes Witke als Pastor der deutschen luth. St. Lukas-Gemeinde in Baltimore, Md., eingeführt. Da die Gemeinde mit keiner Synode verbunden ist, wünscht Bruder Witke ein Glied unseres Ministeriums zu bleiben.

Am 20. Juli erfuhr ich, daß Pastor A. J. Weddell wegen geschwächter Gesundheit sein Amt an der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Norristown im Monat October niederlegen würde. Seitdem hat die Gemeinde den Ehrw. H. Peters von Rochester, N. Y., berufen, und derselbe meldet sich um Aufnahme in unser Ministerium.

Am 10. August nahm Pastor J. O. Leibensperger einen Ruf von der Girardville-Gemeinde an und wurde am 23. October installirt.

Am 4. September wurde Pastor W. D. C. Keiter in der Heil. Trinitatis-Kirche zu West Bethlehem, Pa., eingeführt.

Am 30. September resignirte Pastor Lewis Smith die Weatherly-Pfarrstelle, Carbon Co., Pa.

Am 1. October legte Pastor J. Abele sein Amt an der deutschen luth. Zions-Gemeinde in Harrisburg, Pa., nieder. Pastor J. H. Wendel, früher in Port Jervis, N. Y., der sich zur Aufnahme in unser Ministerium meldet, wurde am 22. April 1888 als sein Nachfolger installirt.

Am 1. October schloß Pastor B. H. Warnke seine Arbeit an der deutschen Gemeinde zu Woodbury, N. J., und zog sich in seine alte Heimath in Canada zurück. Er beabsichtigt nicht, eine permanente Pfarrstelle anzunehmen, ist aber bereit, zur Aushülfe zu dienen. Es ist auch sein Wunsch, Glied unseres Ministeriums zu bleiben.

Im Monat October legte Pastor G. A. Brügel sein Amt in Cherryville nieder und folgte einem Rufe der Gemeinde zu Syracuse, N. Y., die zum New Yorker Ministerium gehört.

In demselben Monat fing Pastor Geo. J. Schäffer seine Arbeit in dem Missionsfeld in Snyder Co., Pa., an.

Am 1. November trat Pastor J. C. Gräpp in sein Amt an der neuen deutschen Missionsgemeinde in Scranton und wurde am 15. Januar 1888 installirt.

Am 1. November zog sich Pastor J. R. Shoffner von seiner Arbeit an der

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englischen luth. St. Johannis-Gemeinde in Columbia, Pa., zurück. So weit mir bekannt ist, hat er der Gemeinde keine Resignation eingereicht. Ebenso hat er weder dem Präsidenten der vierten Conferenz, noch mir, hinsichtlich seines Zurückziehens berichtet.

In demselben Monat resignirte Pastor J. S. Erb die Weißport-Pfarrstelle und wurde am 25. December als Pastor der Towamensing-Gemeinde eingeführt.

Am 1. Januar 1888 übernahm Pastor A. J. L. Breinig die Treverton-Pfarrstelle.

An demselben Tage resignirte Pastor Otto Konrad als Pastor der deutschen St. Pauls-Gemeinde zu Norristown, Pa., und nahm einen Ruf der mit der luth. Synode von New York und New Jersey verbundenen Gemeinde zu Amsterdam, N. Y., an. Die Gemeinde zu Norristown hat Pastor J. Niemann, früher in Danbury, Conn., ein Glied des New Yorker Ministeriums, berufen. Er meldet sich um Aufnahme in unsere Synode.

Am 22. Januar wurde Pastor J. H. Stump in Great Bend installirt.

Am 4. Februar legte Pastor E. L. Miller sein Amt an der St. Pauls-Gemeinde, Doylestown, Pa., nieder, um einen Ruf von der englischen Trinity-Gemeinde in Scranton anzunehmen. Er wurde am 13. dieses Monats installirt.

Am 8. Februar legte Pastor J. D. Schindel sein Amt an der St. Pauls-Gemeinde in Catasauqua nieder und nahm einen Ruf von den Gemeinden Egypt und Laurys, früher mit Pastor Renninger's Pfarrdistrict verbunden, an.

Am 26. März legte Pastor J. S. Renninger sein Amt in allen seinen Gemeinden nieder.

Am 2. April resignirte Pastor J. R. Groff die deutsche Pfarrstelle zu Danville, Pa., welche seither den Ehrw. D. L. Foglemann berufen hat. Er ist schon in sein neues Arbeitsfeld getreten.

Pastor D. L. Coleman hat sein Amt an der St. Johannis-Gemeinde in Centre Square niedergelegt und den Ruf der St. Pauls-Gemeinde in Doylestown angenommen und wurde daselbst am 6. Mai installirt.

Pastor Geo. G. Kunkel hat einen Ruf von der Zions-Gemeinde, Weatherly, Carbon Co., Pa., angenommen.

Am 18. April nahm Pastor Johann J. Foust einen Ruf der St. Johannis-Gemeinde in Stroudsburg, Monroe Co., Pa., an und wurde am 29. April installirt.

Am 30. April schickte Pastor J. B. Fox, der die früher von Pastor Renninger bedienten Gemeinden angenommen hat, mir seine ehrenvolle Entlassung aus der Pittsburg-Synode und bittet um Aufnahme.

Entlassungen.

Am 25. Juni 1887 Pastor R. Morris Smith von Baden, Beaver Co., Pa., an die Pittsburg-Synode (General-Concil).

Am 2. Juli Pastor E. Buttermann an die Texas-Synode.

Am 3. Juli Pastor Elmer F. Krauß an die Pittsburg-Synode.

Am 6. August Pastor W. M. Rehrig an dieselbe.

Am 11. August Pastor Wm. J. Finck an dieselbe.

Am 18. August Pastor W. H. Zuber an dieselbe.

Am 13. September Pastor J. J. Heißler an das ev.-luth. Ministerium von New York ꝛc.

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Am 4. November G. A. Brügel an dasselbe.

Am 16. December Pastor Geo. M. Sheidy an die Pittsburg-Synode.

Am 1. Februar 1888 Pastor S. L. Keller, der letztes Jahr von uns ordinirt wurde, an die Nord Carolina-Synode.

Am 18. Februar Pastor Otto Konrad, der einen Ruf von der mit der luth. Synode von New York und New Jersey verbundenen Gemeinde zu Amsterdam, N. Y., angenommen hatte und sich jener Synode anschließen will, erhielt das in solchen Fällen gewöhnliche Zeugniß.

Am 27. Februar Pastor Charles S. Kohler, der einen Ruf an die englische Missionsgemeinde in Cleveland, Ohio, angenommen hat, wurde an die Pittsburg-Synode entlassen.

Ecksteinlegungen.

Am 3. Juli der Spieß-Kirche, Elsaß Twp., Berks Co., Pa., Pastor T. T. Jäger.

Am 7. August der St. Pauls-Kirche, Catasauqua, Pastor J. D. Schindel.

Am 4. September der St. Pauls-Kirche, Kresgeville, Monroe County, Pa., Pastor A. M. Strauß.

Am 4. September der St. Josephskapelle, als ein gemeinschaftliches Werk der Lutheraner und Reformirten angefangen, aber zuletzt das ausschließliche Eigenthum der Lutheraner, Pastor Dr. R. A. Horne.

Im September der lutherischen Salem-Kirche, Elizabethville, Dauphin Co., Pa., Pastor J. Hillpot.

Am 2. October der deutschen Christus-Kirche, Cramer Hill, Camden Co., N. J., Pastor E. A. Behrens.

Am 23. October der Holy Trinity, West Bethlehem, Pa., Pastor W. D. C. Keiter.

Am 29. October der gemeinschaftlichen Kapelle, East Butler, Pastor J. J. Kuntz.

Einweihung von Kirchen.

Am Trinitatisfest 1887 die luth. Kirche zu Landsdale, Pa.

Am 23. October die gemeinschaftliche Trinitatis-Kapelle, Wind Gap, Pastor A. E. Erdmann.

Am 6. November die deutsche Kreuz-Kirche, Philadelphia, Pa., Pastor J. Heck.

Am 6. November die Trinitatis-Kirche, Bangor, Northampton Co., Pa., Pastor B. F. Apple.

Am 6. November die Sonntagschulräume der St. Pauls-Kirche, Catasauqua, Pastor J. D. Schindel.

Am 27. November die Trinitatis-Kirche, Hazleton, Pa., Pastor E. A. Bauer.

Am 11. December die Kapelle der englischen lutherischen Epiphanias-Kirche, Camden, N. J., Pastor Clarence K. Binder.

Am 15. Januar 1888 die deutsche luth. Christus-Kirche, Cramer Hill, Camden Co., N. J., Pastor E. A. Behrens.

Am 8. April die Holy Trinity Kapelle, West Bethlehem, Pa., Pastor W. D. C. Keiter.

Am 22. April die deutsche Zions-Kirche, Harrisburg, Pa., Pastor H. Wendel.

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Am 20. Mai die gemeinschaftliche St. Peters-Kirche, Cameron Twp., Northumberland Co., Pa., Pastor H. Weickfel.

Wiedereröffnung neu ausgestatteter Kirchen.

Am 14. August 1887 die Zions-Kirche zu Tamaqua nach einer Ausgabe von $1000, Pastor J. O. Schlenker.

Am 25. September die Zionskirche zu Mechanicsburg, Lancaster Co., Pastor J. Kohler.

Am 30. October wurde die deutsche ev.-luth. Immanuels-Kirche zu Frankford, Pastor Schimpf, nach einer durchgreifenden Erneuerung mit einem Kostenaufwand von $1230 wieder eingeweiht, wobei die Doctoren Mann und Jacobs und die Pastoren Grahn und Weiskotten die Festpredigten hielten. Von besonderer Genugthuung ist der Umstand, daß diese älteste und am längsten bedürftige Missionsgemeinde mit dieser Feier sich selbsterhaltend erklärte und somit die Unterstützung seitens der Synode nicht mehr beansprucht.

Am 5. Februar 1888 die deutsche St. Michaelis-Kirche, nachdem dieselbe mit einem Kostenaufwand von $7000 vergrößert und verschönert worden war. Pastor J. G. Pfuhl.

Neue Gemeinden.

Die sogenannte Keiser's Gemeinde, die von Pastor S. E. Ochsenford in Snyder Co., Pa., organisirt wurde, ist von der fünften Conferenz aufgenommen worden und ist dadurch ein Glied dieser Synode geworden.

Der Präsident der zweiten Conferenz berichtet folgende neue Gemeinden: Holy Trinity, West Bethlehem; St. Pauls, Kresgeville, Monroe Co.; Parryville, Carbon Co.; St. Josephs, East Allentown; St. Lucas, Allentown; die deutsche Gemeinde in Scranton; die St. Paulus-Gemeine zu Slatedale, Lecha Co., Pastor J. S. Renninger, und die St. Pauls-Gemeinde in Great Bend.

Am 18. März 1888 organisirte Pastor J. G. Pfuhl die deutsche ev.-luth. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde zu Steelton, Pa., zum größten Theil aus Gliedern seiner St. Michaelis-Gemeinde in Harrisburg. Die neue Gemeinde meldet sich um Aufnahme in unser Ministerium.

Verschiedene Gegenstände.

Am 3. August hörte ich, daß die alte und ehrwürdige Christus-Kirche zu Tulpehocken vom Blitz getroffen, durch Feuer zerstört worden sei. Ich hielt es für meine Pflicht, dem Pastor, dem Kirchenrath und der ganzen Gemeinde die innige Theilnahme dieses Körpers an dem Verlust einer mit unserer Geschichte so innig verbundenen Kirche auszusprechen. Die Gemeinde läßt die Kirche auf dem alten Grunde wiederbauen.

In Folge des von unserer letzten Synodal-Versammlung ausgesprochenen Wunsches veranstaltete die erste Districtsconferenz in Verbindung mit dem Pastor und der Gemeinde in Trappe eine Gedächtnißfeier, die am 7. October 1887 — an dem Tage, an welchem Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg vor einhundert Jahren dort das Zeitliche segnete — an jenem Orte gehalten wurde. Das herrliche Sommerwetter machte es einer großen Versammlung möglich, nicht nur an Ort und Stelle zu erscheinen, sondern auch die alte Augustus-Kirche, die Wohnungen und die Ruhestätte des Patriarchen unserer luth. Kirche in Amerika zu besuchen. Eine große Schaar versammelte sich Vormittags und

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Nachmittags in der neuen Kirche, in welcher die Pastoren Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann und Prof. Dr. C. W. Schäffer und der Präsident der Synode in deutscher und englischer Sprache Ansprachen hielten. Alle Anwesenden hatten das Gefühl „Hier ist gut sein!" und nahmen unvergeßliche Eindrücke mit sich.

Bei dieser Gelegenheit darf ich wohl hinzusetzen, daß eine solche Gedächtnißfeier in vielen von unsern Gemeinden gehalten wurde und daß wir Ursache haben zu glauben, daß diese feierliche Erinnerung an das Leben und die Arbeit unseres Patriarchen nicht ohne Segen gewesen ist. Dabei ist nicht zu vergessen, daß die bei dieser Gelegenheit geopferten Gaben die für die Fundirung der deutschen Professur im Mühlenberg-College bestimmt waren, diesen Fond um ein Bedeutendes vermehrt haben.

Vom 16.—23. October 1887 feierte die luth. St. Johannis-Gemeinde zu Shiremantown, Cumberland Co., Pa., (Pastor H. N. Fegley) das Gedächtniß ihres hundertjährigen Bestehens.

Am 25. October 1887 benachrichtigte mich Pastor Dr. S. Laird, daß er von Europa zurückgekehrt sei und die Pflichten seines Amtes als Schatzmeister dieses Ministeriums wieder übernommen habe.

Herr Joseph Stump, der nach dem Beschluß der Synode von mir ein Zeugniß erhalten hatte, daß er das Examen vor unserer Committee bestanden habe und zur Ordination bereit sei, sobald er einen Ruf erhalten habe, erhielt einen Ruf von der Gemeinde in Great Bend und wurde sodann am 22. November 1887 in der St. Marcus-Kirche, Philadelphia, von den Beamten der Synode ordinirt. Der englische Secretär, Pastor J. W. Early, hielt die Ordinationspredigt.

Am 9. December benachrichtigte mich Pastor Jacob Neff, daß Fräulein Eliza Yost, ein Glied seiner Gemeinde, in Spring City, Chester Co., Pa., in ihrem Testamente unser Ministerium zum Haupterben ihres Vermögens gesetzt habe und zwar in solcher Weise, daß je ein Fünftheil der hinterlassenen Summe für folgende Zwecke, viz. die Ausbreitung der Kirche (Church Extension), Erziehung junger Männer für's Predigtamt, einheimische Mission, Heidenmission und das Waisenhaus, bestimmt ist. Das Vermögen soll sich auf $50,000 bis $100,000 belaufen und der unserem Ministerium bestimmte Antheil auf ungefähr $18,000 bis $20,000. Ich antwortete Bruder Neff, daß ich seinen Brief dem Schatzmeister unseres Ministeriums übermitteln werde. Am 8. Februar 1888 theilte mir derselbe Bruder (J. Neff) mit, daß Herr George Clevenstein, ein Glied der Zions-Gemeinde, dem Waisenhause $500 und der Zions-Gemeinde und der St. Petri-Gemeinde in Pikeland, andere Geldsummen vermacht habe.

In Folge des Todes des Herrn, der in Halle a. d. S. die Gelder des Streit'schen Vermächtnisses verwaltet hatte, verzögerte sich die Ankunft der Interessen. Doch schließlich kamen sie an, und ich sandte den gewöhnlichen Antheil an das ev.-luth. Ministerium von New York und an die Synode von West Pennsylvanien. Die letztere erhielt auch ihren Antheil des Rödelsheim'schen Legats.

Auf Ersuchen der Bau-Committee und im Einklang mit unserer jetzigen Synodal-Constitution unterzeichnete ich mit Beidruck des Siegels den von besagter Committee gutgeheißenen Contract für den neuen Bau, der für die Zwecke unseres Seminars in Mt. Airy errichtet werden soll. Das Nähere in Bezug auf diesen Bau wird im Bericht der Directoren des Seminars vorgelegt werden. Es freut mich, hinzufügen zu können, daß kurz nachher der erste Spatenstich ge-

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schehen ist und daß ich die Befriedigung hatte, in Gegenwart des Directoriums, der Facultät, vieler Glieder unserer Synode und der Studenten der Anstalt am Dienstag Nachmittag, den 22. Mai 1888, den Eckstein dieses Gebäudes zu legen. Wir haben große Ursache, Gott zu danken und neuen Muth zu fassen, daß es uns gelungen ist, diesen guten Anfang zu machen. Im Aufblick auf den Herrn, der uns bis hierher geholfen hat, sehen wir der baldigen Vollendung dieses ersten Gebäudes, der Verlegung unseres Seminars und dem gesegneten Fortgang unserer Arbeit entgegen. Da ich von Anfang an mit dem Werke unseres Seminars zu schaffen hatte, gewährte es mir besondere Freude, den Eckstein des ersten Gebäudes, das den erkorenen Ort zieren soll, legen zu dürfen.

Nun, da das Werk mit Ernst in Angriff genommen worden ist, wollen wir hoffen, daß unsere Freunde, die Gelder in der Hand haben oder mit der Sammlung zurückgehalten haben, bis einmal ein Anfang gemacht werden sollte, der Baucommittee kräftig unter die Arme greifen werden, damit der Bau ohne Zeitverlust errichtet werden möge.

Am 14. Mai sandte mir der englische Secretär eine Mittheilung, die ihm vom Secretär des Alumni-Vereins des Mühlenberg-Collegiums mit der Bitte, dieselbe zur Kenntniß dieses Ministeriums zu bringen, zugesandt wurde. Da dieselbe wohl am Besten durch meinen Bericht vor die Synode gebracht werden kann, lege ich hiermit den Beschluß des Vereins vor:

„Beschlossen, daß das ev.-luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und den benachbarten Staaten hiermit ehrerbietigst ersucht werde und das in dem Gefühl, daß es nur eine Sache der Gerechtigkeit ist, den Alumni des Mühlenberg-College eine Vertretung in dem Board of Trustees genannter Anstalt zu gewähren und zwar so, daß die Vertreter aus den verschiedenen Lebensberufen genommen werden mögen."

Vor etlichen Wochen benachrichtigte mich der Ehrw. Prof. Dr. A. Martin, daß er wegen Krankheit in seiner Familie unsere jetzige Versammlung nicht besuchen könne und ersuchte mich, ein anderes Glied der Examinations-Committee zum Vorsitzer derselben zu ernennen. Zu gleicher Zeit sprach er sich auch dahin aus, daß, obwohl er die ihm erwiesene Ehre zu schätzen weiß und zu jeder Zeit bereit ist, der Synode zu dienen, er es jedoch angesichts der Thatsache, daß sein Berufskreis dem der Synode so fern liegt, vorziehen würde, wenn ein anderer Bruder an seine Stelle auf die Committee gesetzt werden würde. Ich antwortete ihm, daß ich der Synode seine Wünsche vorlegen würde. Auch ersuchte ich Pastor Dr. Jacob Fry, als Vorsitzer der Examinations-Committee zu dienen, was er auch freundlich zugesagt hat.

Schlußbemerkungen.

Vor zwei Jahren hielt ich es für meine Pflicht, mich in meinem Bericht in ernsten Worten hinsichtlich der für einen kirchlichen Körper so nöthigen Eintracht in der Gesinnung und in der That auszusprechen und darauf aufmerksam zu machen, daß nach meiner Ansicht diese Eintracht unsere Synode nicht so auszeichnete wie früher. Ihr vernahmet meine Worte mit Geduld und scheinbarem Interesse, hieltet es aber nicht für nothwendig, Eure Gedanken über diese Sache auszusprechen. Ich hatte damals die Ueberzeugung, daß mich die Synode wohl verstanden hatte und daß die Schwierigkeiten, auf welche ich anspielte, durchaus keine eingebildeten waren. Aber Ihr, lieben Brüder, dachtet, daß es eine Forderung der Weisheit und Liebe sei, nichts Weiteres über die Sache zu sagen, und so ließ man die anwesenden und abwesenden Glieder der

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Synode die Worte des Präsidenten vernehmen, und Jeder konnte sich dabei denken, was er wollte.

Jedoch der Mangel an Eintracht, worauf ich damals aufmerksam machte, hat sich seit jener Zeit und besonders während dem verflossenen Jahre nur noch mehr gezeigt, und darum halte ich es für meine Pflicht, die Sache wieder zur Sprache zu bringen und deutlicher als damals.

Schon seit Jahren hat eine Anzahl unserer deutschen Brüder öffentlich und privatim Unzufriedenheit ausgesprochen, weil sie glaubte, daß der theologische Unterricht in deutscher Sprache in unserem Philadelphier Seminar vernachlässigt worden sei und daß damit der Verwaltungsrath, die Professoren und das Ministerium dem in der Constitution der Anstalt niedergelegten Fundamental-Vertrag, daß die beiden Sprachen gleiche Rechte genießen sollten, zuwidergehandelt haben. Obwohl die Professoren wiederholt den Stand der Dinge im Seminar erklärt hatten und in Verbindung mit der Synode selbst ihre Willigkeit an den Tag legten, alles Mögliche zu thun, um den Bedürfnissen der deutschen Studenten zu entsprechen, so gelang es doch nicht, die Unzufriedenheit mancher unserer deutschen Brüder zu beseitigen. Sie bezeugten öffentlich, daß sie glaubten — und versuchten andere zu demselben Glauben zu bringen, — daß unser theologisches Seminar im Begriffe stehe, mit raschen Schritten eine ausschließlich englische Anstalt zu werden, so daß unsere deutschen Gemeinden die Hoffnung aufgeben müßten, deutsche Pastoren von derselben zu erhalten.

Als die deutsche einheimische Missionscommittee des General-Concils das dringende Bedürfniß einer größeren Anzahl deutscher Prediger zur Versorgung der Schaaren eingewanderter deutscher Lutheraner jenem Körper an's Herz legte, beauftragte derselbe die Committee, sich in Deutschland nach Hülfe umzusehen und mit dortigen Personen und Anstalten solche Verbindungen anzuknüpfen, daß ein beständiger Zufluß deutscher Pastoren gesichert werden möchte. Dieses führte eine Verbindung zwischen der von Pastor Johannes Paulsen in Kropp gegründeten und geleiteten Anstalt und besagter Committee, sowie in gewissem Sinn mit dem General-Concil selbst herbei.

Manche von den thätigsten Gliedern dieser deutschen einheimischen Missions-Committee waren Glieder unseres Ministeriums und unter denselben waren solche, die sich stark und öffentlich über die Zurücksetzung des Deutschen in unserem eigenen Seminar ausgesprochen hatten. Es schien, als ob sie in der Eröffnung der Anstalt zu Kropp den Aufgang eines schöneren Tages für die Sache des deutschen Werkes schauten und von dort den Zufluß deutscher Pastoren erwartete, den das Philadelphier Seminar nicht liefern konnte. Manche von diesen Brüdern glaubten, es sei ihre Pflicht, sowie die ihrer Gemeinden, ihren ganzen Einfluß, sowie ihre Gaben der Anstalt in Kropp zufließen zu lassen, und das Alles zu einer Zeit, in welcher die Synode, welcher sie angehörten, ihr eigenes Seminar hatte und sich auf's Aeußerste anstrengte, um dieser Anstalt die so nöthigen neuen Gebäude zu verschaffen.

Obwohl unsere Synode nur eine von den mit dem General-Concil verbundenen Synoden ist und es etliche theologische Anstalten im Westen gibt, die in freundlichen Verhältnissen zum General-Concil stehen, so hatte doch die einfache Thatsache, daß manche der thätigsten Glieder der deutschen einheimischen Missions-Committee Glieder unseres Ministeriums waren, die Folge, daß die Anstalt in Kropp in unserer Synode auf ganz besondere Weise zur Sprache kam, so daß Manche unter uns die Frage aufwarfen, auf welche Weise jene Anstalt in

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innigere Verbindung mit unserem Seminar gebracht werden könnte, während andere ihre Augen auf Kropp richteten als den Ort, von welchem deutsche Pastoren und deutsche Gemeinden deutsche Prediger beziehen müßten. Die Folge war, daß diese beiden Anstalten gleichsam als Rivalen angesehen wurden, die um das Wohlwollen und die Unterstützung unserer deutschen Glaubensbrüder warben; und der Partei-Geist, der sich einst in Corinth gezeigt hatte, erhob sich unter uns, und der eine rief: „Ich bin für Philadelphia!" und der andere: „Ich bin für Kropp!"

Wie zu erwarten war, fanden diese Meinungsverschiedenheiten ihren Ausdruck in den Kirchenblättern, und Brüder einer und derselben Synode traten einander öffentlich entgegen in einer Weise, die zu unerquicklichen Persönlichkeiten führte. Unsere kirchlichen Blätter sind gewiß unentbehrlich, aber es ist zu beklagen, daß in einer und derselben Synode Brüder Blätter herausgeben, in denen sie einander bekämpfen, ihre Unzufriedenheit mit Maßregeln und mit Personen aussprechen und den Samen der Zwietracht unter den Gemeinden und Pastoren ausstreuen können. Ich weiche Niemand in der hohen Werthschätzung unserer amerikanischen Freiheit der Rede und der Presse und es kommt mir nicht in den Sinn, ein einziges Wort gegen die Ausübung dieser Rechte innerhalb der Kirche zu äußern. In unserer lutherischen Kirche müssen wir stets für völlige Redefreiheit, sowie für die Freiheit der religiösen Presse in die Schranken treten. Jedoch, obwohl wir dieses zugeben und bereit sind, diese Rechte zu behaupten, so kommt es mir vor, daß es gewisse Grenzen gibt, welche ein Christ nicht überschreiten sollte und deren Uebertretung ihm nicht gestattet werden sollte.

Es scheint mir, daß eine Synode es nicht mit Stillschweigen hingehen lassen sollte, wenn kirchliche Zeitschriften von ihren eigenen Gliedern herausgegeben ihr Möglichstes thun, um das Mißtrauen unserer Gemeindeglieder gegen die Anstalten der Synode zu erwecken und um Schmach auf Männer, denen die Synode Ehre und Dank schuldet, zu bringen.

Ich denke hier ganz besonders an eine Monatsschrift, „Kelle und Schwert" genannt, die seit kurzer Zeit von Gliedern dieser Synode herausgegeben wird, in der deutlich ausgesprochenen Absicht, ein Organ zu liefern, in welchem den Brüdern die Gelegenheit gegeben werden soll, einander auf eine Art und Weise anzugreifen, die, wie zugegeben wird, in einem gewöhnlichen Kirchenblatt nicht zu dulden wäre. In den bisher erschienenen Nummern dieser Zeitschrift weht ein Geist, der weit entfernt ist, ein christlicher zu sein, und der nur eine größere Entzweiung der Glieder der Synode herbeiführen kann.

Diese Monatsschrift hat ihre Spalten den bitteren Aeußerungen eines Geistlichen des deutschen Vaterlands geöffnet, welcher, nachdem er die Gastfreundschaft unserer hiesigen Kirche und die thatsächliche Unterstützung mancher unserer Pastoren und Gemeinden genossen hatte, seine Feder sowohl in Deutschland als in Amerika dazu gebraucht hat, um unser theologisches Seminar und die zwei deutschen Professoren desselben, deren Gelehrsamkeit und Treue dasselbe so viel zu verdanken hat, in Mißcredit zu bringen. Es war schlimm genug, daß er diese Dinge in Deutschland verbreitete, aber die Sache ist durch den Abdruck derselben in „Kelle und Schwert" unter dem Schutze von Gliedern unserer eigenen Synode noch viel schlimmer gemacht worden.

Da diese Dinge keine geringe Entrüstung nicht nur in unserer Synode, sondern auch in weitern Kreisen unserer Kirche hervorgerufen hat, so hielt ich es für meine Pflicht, mich auf diese Weise auszusprechen. Ich bin mir wohl be-

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wußt, daß ich damit etwas gethan habe, was äußerst selten von einem Präsidenten dieses Körpers verlangt wurde. Es war mir durchaus unmöglich, in dieser Sache etwas durch Privatvorstellungen auszurichten. Das Aergerniß ist ein so öffentliches, daß mir nichts anderes übrig blieb, als die Sache vor die Synode zu legen. Es liegt nun an der Synode, sich dahin auszusprechen, ob ich darin irre gegangen bin und ob sie die Macht und den Willen hat, etwas in dieser Sache zu thun. Obwohl mir so viel daran gelegen ist als irgend einem Gliede dieses Körpers, „zu halten die Einigkeit im Geist durch das Band des Friedens," so glaube ich doch nicht, daß man sagen sollte, „Friede, Friede! und ist doch kein Friede."

Mit dem Gebet, daß der Herr uns schenken wolle „die Weisheit von oben her," die da „ist auf's erste keusch, darnach friedsam, gelinde und läßt ihr sagen, voll Barmherzigkeit und guter Früchte, unpartheiisch und ohne Heuchelei," bringe ich diesen langen Bericht zum Schluß. **G. F. Krotel.**

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen, um einer Committee übergeben zu werden.

Die Synode schritt nun zur Beamtenwahl. Folgende Wahlaufseher wurden ernannt: Ehrw. B. F. Apple, J. F. C. Fluck, L. Groh, Geo. Ph. Müller, D. M. Stettler und die Herren C. Kerschner, J. L. Kramer, G. D. Moyer.

Als Zeit der Sitzungen wurden festgesetzt die Stunden: Vormittags 9 bis 12 Uhr, Nachmittags 2 bis 5 Uhr.

Hierauf verlas der Schatzmeister der Synode, Dr. S. Laird, seinen Jahresbericht.

Bericht des Schatzmeisters.

Vom 2. Juni 1887 bis 23. Mai 1888.

Samuel Laird in Rechnung mit dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien.

I. Allgemeiner Fond.

Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
Bilanz vom letzten Jahr.....	$4,953 60	Mühlenberg Collegium	$1,000 00
Beiträge von Gemeinden.....	13,582 97	Zinsen für Seminar-Anleihe..	1,283 70
Beiträge von Personen.....	37 00	Der Heiden-Missions-Rechnung übertragen.....	500 00
Prämien vom deutschen Gesangbuch.....	1,853 82	Der Erziehungs-Rechnung übertragen.....	3,962 59
Prämien vom Benner Katechismus.....	50 00	Der Einheimischen Missions-Rechnung übertragen.....	5,482 80
G. W. Frederick, Prämien von englischen Katechismen.....	40 43	Der Pastoren- und Wittwen-Rechnung übertragen.....	1,167 75
Zinsen von deponierten Geldern.....	118 91	Druckkosten der Constitution in englischer Sprache.....	78 50
		Abschrift derselben.....	25 00
		Schatzmeisters-Gehalt	400 00
		Ausgaben der Synodal-Beamten	108 56
		Ausgaben des Secretärs der Executiv-Committee.....	25 75
		Der Facultät des Seminars für bedürftige Studenten....	50 00
		Ausgaben des Delegaten an das N. Y. Ministerium	17 50
		Kirchendiener in Philadelphia	20 00
		Druckkosten der Verhandlungen	564 65
		Bilanz in der Kasse.....	5,949 98
	$20,636 73		$20,636 73

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II. Einheimische Missions-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge	$1,329 42	Missionen der Synode	$3,908 89
Zinsen	84 17	Philadelphia Stadtmissionen	2,787 50
Aus dem allgemeinen Fond	5,482 80	Kaplan des deutschen Hospitals	200 00
Angelegtes Kapital zurückbezahlt	2,000 00	Neuangelegtes Kapital	2,000 00
	$8,896 39		$8,896 39

III. Heiden-Missions-Kasse.

Bilanz vom letzten Jahr	$ 99 10	An W. H. Staake, Schatzmeister der Heiden-Missions-Committee	$2,622 76
Directe Beiträge	1,993 66		
Zinsen	30 00		
Aus dem allgemeinen Fond	500 00		
	$2,622 76		$2,622 76

IV. Erziehungs-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge		$ 525 27	Studenten im Seminar		$2,500 00
Zinsen		89 64	Studenten im Collegium		2,432 50
Unterstützung zurückbezahlt von:					
Ehrw. J. F. Beates	$25 00				
„ E. L. Holloway	10 00				
„ T. M. Angstadt	305 00				
„ J. L. Smith	5 00				
Herr J. H. Wyse	10 00				
		355 00			
Aus der allgemeinen Kasse		3,962 59			
		$4,932 50			$4,932 50

V. Pastoren-Wittwen- und Waisen-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge	$ 32 25	Ausbezahlt an Wittwen	$1,000 00
Aus dem allgemeinen Fond	1,167 75	Ausbezahlt an Ehrw. J. H. Voß	200 00
	$1,200 00		$1,200 00

VI. Englisches Gesangbuch-Kasse.

Bilanz vom letzten Jahr	$1,531 81	Ausbezahlt für Bücher zum Gebrauch der Committee	$ 225 78
Erhalten vom Schatzmeister der Publications-Committee	534 84	Ausbezahlt, um die Ausgaben der Committee zu decken	109 00
		Bilanz in der Kasse	1,731 87
	$2,066 65		$2,066 65

Kasse des Theologischen Seminars.

VII. Laufende Ausgaben.

Einnahme vom fundirten Kapital	$6,276 68	Im letzten Jahresberichte gemeldete Mehrausgabe	$ 70
Von Gemeinden und Personen	107 62	Professoren-Gehalt	5,418 96
Vom New York-Ministerium	125 00	Bibliothekar des Seminars	50 00
Interessen	12 22	Seminardieners Gehalt	249 99
Kasse überzogen	448 66	Kohlen und Gas	726 20
		Wassertaxe für 1888	44 00
		Reparaturen und andere Ausgaben	480 33
	$6,970 18		$6,970 18

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VIII. Rechnung über das Fundirungs-Kapital.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1887.....	$1,568 76	Neu angelegte Gelder.....	$10,100 00
Angelegtes Kapital zurückbezahlt.....	9,600 00	Erbschaftstaxe vom Vermächtniß der Frau Mary Eiher, 5 Shares Penn'a Eisenbahn Stocks	12 50
Subscription der Emanuels-Gemeinde, Philadelphia.....	200 00	Bilanz.....	1,256 26
	$11,368 76		$11,368 76

IX. Seminar-Baufond.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1887.....	$5,762 84	Interessen für Bonds ausgegeben für das Mt. Airy Eigenthum.....	$1,500 00
Erhalten vom Ehrw. R. Hill, Agent	14,537 95	Ausgegeben für Grundstück an Boyer Str., Phil'a, nebst Interessen und Kosten des Uebertrags.....	2,493 00
		Wassertaxe	10 35
		Taxen für West Philadelphia Eigenthum für 1887.....	148 74
		Gehalt des Agenten.....	550 00
		Reisekosten des Agenten.....	60 00
		Bilanz.....	15,538 70
	$20,300 79		$20,300 79

X. Bibliothekfond.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1887.....	$155 09	Für Bücher und Einbinden.....	$ 37 32
Zinsen.....	42 5	Bilanz in der Kasse.....	160 27
	$197 59		$197 59

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Einheimische Mission.....	3,413 59	Einheimische Mission.....	8,896 39
Heiden-Mission	2,122 76	Heiden-Mission	2,622 76
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Englisches Kirchenbuch.....	2,066 65	Englisches Kirchenbuch.....	334 78
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Ehrw. W. J. Andres...	$135 00	Ehrw. H. D. Bernheim D.D.....	15 25
„ B. F. Apple.....	31 55	„ F. W. Bieber.....	253 00
„ O. Bartholomew.....	44 00	„ W. J. Bieber.....	175 00
„ E. A. Bauer.....	88 39	„ C. K. Binder.....	45 00
„ J. L. Becker.....	133 00	„ H. H. Bruning.....	45 97
„ F. P. Bender.....	75 00	„ D. L. Coleman, Centre Square Stelle.....	25 00
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„ F. K. Berndt.....	115 00		

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„	J. Darmstätter	60 00
„	J. P. Deck	390 00
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„	C. K. Drumheller	15 00
„	J. W. Early	30 00
„	J. R. S. Erb	130 00
„	J. S. Erb	125 00
„	A. E. Erdman	20 66
„	H. R. Fegley	154 49
„	H. S. Fegley	130 78
„	A. Finfrock	144 25
„	J. F. C. Fluck	25 00
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„	W. B. Fox	200 00
„	S. A. K. Francis	100 00
„	J. Fry D.D.	800 00
„	C. L. Fry	225 00
„	J. H. Gable	110 88
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„	W. H. Geiger	11 90
„	D. H. Geissinger	300 00
„	E. H. Gerhardt	10 34
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„	J. P. German	120 00
„	L. H. Geschwind	22 00
„	H. Gieß	126 00
„	P. Glasow	17 50
„	A. R. J. Gräpp	25 46
„	H. Grahn	129 75
„	L. Groh	275 00
„	J. Gruhler	25 00
„	G. F. W. Günsch	42 00
„	J. W. Haßler	85 00
„	J. Heilig	20 00
„	U. P. Heilman	132 00
„	C. H. Hemsath	100 00
„	D. M. Henkel D.D.	22 00
„	S. S. Henry	21 85
„	J. Hillpot	90 50
„	G. A. Hinterleitner D.D.	20 00
„	C. J. Hirzel	45 00
„	M. C. Horine	150 00
„	A. R. Horne D.D.	250 00
„	C. E. Houpt	75 00
„	F. K. Huntzinger	50 00
„	P. Isenschmid	72 00
„	F. Jelden	20 00
„	W. D. C. Keiter, St. Thomas-Kirche Altonah	34 04
„	D. K. Kepner	225 00
„	J. J. Kline	125 00
„	U. J. Klingensmith	30 00
„	J. Kohler	50 00
„	B. E. Kramlich	175 00
„	G. F. Krotel D.D.	500 00
„	J. H. Kuder	75 00
„	J. J. Kündig	130 00
„	C. Kühn	55 00
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„	J. J. Kuntz	115 25
„	S. Laird D.D.	1362 25
„	J. W. Lazarus	111 32
„	J. O. Leibensperger	15 00
„	M. B. Lenker	10 00
„	O. Leopold	100 00
„	L. Lindenstruth	60 00
„	A. Linsz	15 00
„	A. J. Long	220 27
„	A. B. Markley	27 37
„	J. W. Mayne	60 00
„	F. P. Mayser	75 00
„	E. L. Miller, Doylestown Pfarrstelle	10 80
„	E. L. Miller, Trinity-Kirche Scranton	35 00
„	G. P. Müller	17 00
„	W. A. C. Müller	32 11
„	W. H. Myers	25 00
„	J. Neff	45 00
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„	J. E. Nidecker	711 02
„	S. E. Ochsenford	40 00
„	J. F. Ohl	88 57
„	P. Pfatteicher	175 00
„	A. P. Pflüger	119 29
„	O. P. Pflüger, Beavertown Stelle	60 00
„	J. G. Pfuhl	60 00
„	E. H. Pohle	50 00
„	M. O. Rath	170 23
„	W. Rath	316 50
„	D. E. Reed	25 00
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„	R. D. Röber	25 25
„	J. J. Reitz	30 25
„	C. W. Schäffer, D.D. LLD. Persönlicher Beitrag	25 00
„	W. A. Schäffer	52 25
„	F. J. F. Schantz	125 00
„	M. Schimpf	20 00
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„	G. W. Sandt	8 34
„	D. Sanner	20 00
„	J. D. Schindel	136 00
„	J. O. Schlenker	30 00
„	B. W. u. T. E. Schmauk	317 29
„	J. H. Schmidt	5 00
„	B. M. Schmucker D.D.	230 00
„	W. F. Schöner	173 50
„	G. S. Seaman	84 22
„	J. A. Seiß, D.D. LLD. Persönlicher Beitrag	10 00
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„ O. P. Smith	220 00	„ F. W. Weiskotten	99 92
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„ E. H. Small	86 58	„ S. Wenrich	6 00
„ A. Späth D.D.	267 00	„ F. Wischan	155 66
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„ D. M. Stettler	89 58	„ A. L. Yount	40 00
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„ W. H. Strauß	117 10	„ P. F. Zizelmann	18 20
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„ D. D. Trexler	60 00	Chestnut Hill-Kirche, Lehigh Co.	4 65
„ J. H. Umbenhen	15 00	Danville, deutsche Pfarrstelle	25 00
„ J. D. Upp	50 00	Trevorton, Pfarrstelle	17 00
„ J. H. Voß Vers. Beitrag	2 00	Kollekten bei der Synodal-Versammlung	51 81
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„ F. Walz	125 00	In den Erziehungs-Fond zurückbezahlte Unterstützung	355 00
„ J. F. Wampole	85 00		

Folgendes sind die Beiträge von Gemeinden für die laufenden Ausgaben des theologischen Seminars.

Ehrw. H. Grahn	$12 00	Ehrw. E. E. Sibole	$40 00
„ C. Kühn	5 00	„ F. Wischan	13 62
„ G. P. Müller	5 00		

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

Samuel Laird, Schatzmeister.

Lancaster, Pa., 23. Mai 1888.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und später einer Committee zur Prüfung übergeben.

Darauf vertagte sich die Versammlung. Pastor P. Pfatteicher sprach den Segen.

Zweite Sitzung.

Freitag, den 25. Mai, 9 Uhr Vorm.

Pastor M. C. Horine leitete die Eröffnungs-Andacht. Nachdem die Verhandlungen der ersten Sitzung verlesen und angenommen waren, erstatteten die Wahlaufseher Bericht. Erwählt wurden als Beamten der Synode:

Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D. D., Präsident.
„ L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secretär.
„ J. M. Anspach, englischer Secretär.
„ S. Laird, D. D., Schatzmeister.

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Herr W. H. Staake unterbreitete den

Bericht der Finanz-Committee.

Lancaster, Pa., den 24. Mai 1888.

An den Präsidenten und die Glieder des evangelisch-lutherischen Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien 2c.

Ihre Finanz-Committee berichtet achtungsvoll wie folgt: Seit der letzten Synodal-Versammlung hat die Committee folgende von dem Schatzmeister gemachten Kapital-Anlagen gutgeheißen:

2 Grund-Renten von Baustellen in der Bancroft Straße zu Philadelphia. @	$1600 00
Verschreibung und Hypotheke von Patrick & Ann Lury, Südseite der Spruce Straße, 197 Fuß und 8 Zoll westlich von der Front Straße	3500 00
Verschreibung und Hypotheke von Emily C. Rutherford, Nordseite der Parrish Straße, 15 Fuß westlich von der 16. Straße	2500 00
Verschreibung und Hypothek von John Friel, Südwest-Ecke der Carpenter und Mechanic Straße	2500 00

In Uebereinstimmung mit Kap. V., Sec. 3 der neuen Constitution hat die Committee alle Sicherheiten (Securities) in den Händen des Schatzmeisters untersucht, die zu den verschiedenen Fonds gehören, die er zu verwalten hat, und hat sie in guter Ordnung befunden.

Achtungsvoll

W. W. Kurtz,
R. B. Miller,
W. H. Staake.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt, nämlich die Herren W. H. Staake, Esq., R. B. Miller und W. W. Kurtz.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas den

Bericht der Executiv-Committee.

Im verflossenen Synodaljahr 1887—1888 hielt die Executiv-Committee fünf Versammlungen und zwar die erste in Philadelphia und die anderen in Reading, Pa.

I. Erziehung.

Sechsunddreißig Studenten, welche sich für das Predigtamt vorbereiten, wurden im letzten Jahr aus der Synodalkasse unterstützt, nämlich:

Im theologischen Seminar.

In der Seniorklasse: J. A. Hufford, Ph. Lamerdin, K. B. Lynch, O. Reber, W. Weickfel, H. Weigand und E. A. Yehl.

In der Mittelklasse: H. W. Elson, C. J. Jeffries, E. T. Kretschmann, J. C. Park, N. F. Schmidt, J. H. Waidelich und H. W. Warmkessel.

In der Juniorklasse: S. K. Elson, Carl Glatzert, G. A. Genzmer, G. E. Merkly und P. B. Smith.

Gesammtzahl: 20.

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Im Mühlenberg-Collegium.

In der Seniorklasse: W. F. Bond, C. D. Claus, C. Fetter, G. Gerbert, J. F. Lambert und O. S. Scheirer.

In der Juniorklasse: J. B. Heil, P. Laury, F. C. Oberly und J. H. Raker.

In der Sophomoreklasse: J. B. Ritter.

In der Freshmanklasse: A. M. Braun, P. M. Grant, W. W. Kistler, A. A. Leibold und H. F. J. Seneker.

Gesammtzahl: 16.

Die Unterstützung, welche von der Executiv-Committee aus der Synodalkasse den obengenannten Studenten gewährt wurde, beträgt:

Für die Studenten im theologischen Seminar.....	$2500.00
„ „ „ „ Mühlenberg-Collegium.....	2432.50
Zusammen	$4932.50

Nicht mit eingerechnet sind die von folgenden Gemeinden und Personen gestifteten Stipendien:

1. Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Reading, Pa.
2. Herrn W. A. Arnold, Reading, Pa.
3. Herrn S. H. Kutz, Reading, Pa.
4. Herrn J. Fegely, Pottstown, Pa.
5. Herrn G. H. Reinöhl, Lebanon, Pa.

Durch diese Stipendien wurden der Synode $250 erspart. Die von den Facultäten des Seminars und des Collegiums eingesandten Berichte über Fleiß und Betragen der stipendirten Studenten in den obengenannten Anstalten wurden sorgfältig geprüft und wo ein Einschreiten nöthig war, ist es unverzüglich geschehen. Die Committee fand sich im Laufe des Jahres oftmals veranlaßt, den stipendirten Studenten eine anderweitige Verwendung ihrer Kräfte, wodurch sie dem Studium entzogen worden wären, zu verweigern. Zur Unterbrechung der Studien sollten die jungen Männer nicht ermuthigt werden. Es scheint uns auch gerade hier am Platze zu sein, die Glieder der Synode darauf aufmerksam zu machen, doch ja mit der größten Sorgfalt die Wahl von jungen Männern vorzunehmen, ehe man sie der Committee als der Unterstützung würdig in Vorschlag bringt. Auch werden die Unterstützungen nur solchen jungen Männern gewährt, welche den vollen Cursus im Collegium und Seminar durchzumachen gedenken.

Dem Mühlenberg-Collegium verwilligte die Committee während des Jahres gemäß eines Synodalbeschlusses aus der Kasse der Synode die Summe von $1000.

Die Central-Committee für die Prüfung und Aufnahme von Studenten bestand aus folgenden Gliedern:

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz,
„ J. Fry, D. D.,
„ J. J. Kündig.

Die Zahl der Applikanten war in diesem Jahre nicht so zahlreich wie im vorigen.

Die stehende Committee für Wiedererlangung der Unterstützungsgelder, an die Studenten ausbezahlt, bestand aus:

Pastor S. Laird, D. D.,
„ F. J. F. Schantz, englischem Secretär.

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Der englische Secretär wandte sich deßhalb an verschiedene Pastoren, welche Unterstützung für ihre frühere Ausbildung aus der Synodalkasse erhielten. Es wurde darauf geantwortet und ein Pastor zahlte seine Schuld völlig ab. Die Committee brachte auch in Vorschlag, daß solchen Pastoren, welche ein dürftiges Einkommen haben, jährlich ein Theil der Schuld erlassen werden möchte. Dieser Vorschlag wurde angenommen.

Die übermachten Summen, welche empfohlen und gutgeheißen wurden, sind wie folgt: Ehrw. J. H. Umbenhen $50.00, Ehrw. J. R. Wismer $50.00, Ehrw. R. D. Röder $50.00, Ehrw. A. R. J. Gräpp $50.00, Ehrw. J. H. Ritter $50.00, Ehrw. J. W. Smith $50.00.

Der Ehrw. F. J. C. McCready, Missionar in Indien, zahlte $600 zurück; das ist die ganze Summe der Unterstützung, die ihm während seiner Vorbereitung für's heilige Predigtamt gewährt wurde. Diese Summe wurde nicht an den Schatzmeister der Synode zurückbezahlt, sondern wurde der Heidenmissions-Committee, die bei der Executiv-Committee darum nachgesucht hatte, verwilligt.

II. Einheimische Mission.

Im Laufe des verflossenen Jahres wurden 37 Missionen im Verbande dieser Synode unterstützt. Davon stehen 26 unter der directen Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee, 6 unter der Aufsicht der deutschen Stadtmissions-Behörde, 5 unter der englischen.

Bei den Versammlungen der Executiv-Committee sind die Berichte der Missionare von ihren Arbeitsfeldern eingelaufen und Unterstützungen wurden nach gemeldeten Umständen verabfolgt. Es ist erfreulich, berichten zu können, daß ein Missionsfeld selbständig geworden ist, auch daß mehrere Missionare von sich aus auf eine Reduktion ihrer bisherigen Unterstützung beantragten. Die Missionare, welche unter der directen Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehen, sind folgende:

In der ersten Conferenz.

1. Riverside, N. J. — Pastor T. N. Ander. Diese Mission besteht aus den Gemeinden Riverside und Hainesport. Einen Theil des Jahres versorgte der Missionar auch die Gemeinde in New-Germany. Um der Versorgung dieser letztgenannten Gemeinde wurde für diese Mission $250.00 verwilligt.

2. Millville, N. J. — Pastor A. R. J. Gräpp. Diese Mission besteht aus zwei Gemeinden, die eine in Millville, die andere in Vineland, N. J. Die Unterstützung für das letzte Jahr betrug $150.

3. Cramer Hill und Woodbury, N. J.—Pastor E. A. Behrens. Diese Cramer Hill-Mission wurde erst unterstützt seit Beginn des nun beendeten Synodaljahres. Die Unterstützung beträgt $200.00.

4. Woodbury, N. J., ist vacant geworden durch die Resignation des Pastors B. H. Warnke am Ende September 1887. Auf Verlangen der Conferenz übernahm Pastor Behrens die Woodbury-Mission, dafür er weitere $50.00 erhält.

5. New Germany, N. J., und Umgebung wurde von der ersten Conferenz als eine Missionsstelle erklärt. Man hofft, bald einen geeigneten Missionar für diese Stelle zu finden. Es wurden $200.00 verwilligt.

6. Norristown, Pa. — Pastor R. D. Röder. Die Mission besteht aus der Grace Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung beträgt $200.00 per Jahr.

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7. Doylestown, Pa. — Pastor E. L. Miller. Der Pastor resignirte. Pastor D. L. Coleman ist dessen Nachfolger geworden. Die Unterstützung beträgt $150.00.

8. Wilmington, Del. — W. A. Sadtler, theol. Student, wird nach erlangter Ordination bei dieser Synode als englischer Missionar in dieses Feld eintreten. Die Unterstützung beträgt $200.00.

In der zweiten Conferenz.

1. Bangor, Pa. — Pastor B. F. Apple. Diese Mission besteht aus der Trinitatis-Gemeinde. Diese Mission ist in einem solchen blühenden Zustand, daß die Committee sich veranlaßt fühlt, eine Reduktion der Unterstützung bei der nächsten Versammlung in Vorschlag zu bringen. Die Unterstützung beträgt $200.00.

2. Catasauqua, Pa. — Pastor D. M. Henkel, D. D. Diese Mission besteht aus der englischen Trinity Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung betrug $300.00 per Jahr bis April 1888, nach dieser Zeit wurde sie auf $200.00 reducirt.

3. Weatherly, Pa. — Pastor L. Smith hat im letzten October resignirt. Die Unterstützung betrug $100.00, ist nun aber keine verwilligt worden. In der Januarversammlung 1888 der Executiv-Committee unterbreitete der englische Secretär zwei schriftliche Mittheilungen aus diesem Missionsgebiet. Der Vorsitzer der Committee erklärte, daß die Angelegenheit an die zweite Conferenz zu verweisen sei. In der Aprilversammlung berichtete der Präsident der zweiten Conferenz, daß die Conferenz-Committee die Unterstützung für die Glieder, welche in dem jetzigen Kirchengebäude verbleiben, auszahlen möchte. Derselbe berichtete weiter, daß Pastor Kunkle einen Ruf in dieses Feld erhalten habe. Die Unterstützung wird gegeben, sobald ein Pastor an Ort und Stelle sein wird.

4. Freeland, Pa. — Pastor J. H. Schmidt. Diese Mission besteht aus vier Gemeinden in Luzerne Co., Eckley, Yeddo, Freeland und Ober-Lecha. Die Mission litt sehr durch den anhaltenden Ausstand der Arbeiter. Die gewöhnliche Unterstützung beträgt $150.00, dazu wurde noch eine besondere verwilligt im Betrage von $50.00.

5. Die slavonische Mission in Luzerne Co. — Pastor A. C. Droppa. Diese Mission besteht aus Freeland und Nanticoke. Der Missionar besuchte noch viele andere Orte und versorgte nach Vermögen die slavonische Bevölkerung. Die Unterstützung betrug $150.00.

6. Summit Hill, Pa. — Pastor A. C. Wuchter. Diese Mission umfaßt Summit Hill, Lansford und Hauto. Der Pastor war einige Zeit krank und die Mission litt auch durch den „Strike". Die nächstwohnenden Pastoren versorgten die Stelle während der Krankheit des Pastors. Die Unterstützung beträgt $200.00.

7. Wilkesbarre, Pa. — St. Johannis-Kirche, Pastor L. H. Geschwind. Diese englische Mission hat große Fortschritte gemacht. Die Unterstützung beträgt $300.00.

8. Scranton, Pa. — Trinity Church. Pastor M. L. Zweizig resignirte, Pastor E. L. Miller wurde sein Nachfolger. Diese englische Mission erhält $400.00.

9. Scranton, Pa. — Pastor J. C. Gräpp wurde als Missionar an diese neue deutsche Mission erwählt. Unterstützung $300.00.

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10. Great Bend und Umgebung. — Das ist eine deutsch-englische Mission. Pastor Jos. Stump bedient dieses Feld. Unterstützung $200.00.

11. Stroudsburg, Pa. — Eine Verwilligung von $150.00 ist für diese Stelle gemacht worden mit der Bedingung, daß der Pastor daselbst seinen Wohnsitz aufschlage. Pastor Foust hat für dieses Feld bereits einen Ruf erhalten und ist installirt worden.

12. Sand Cut, Pa. — Diese Stelle wird von Theod. Heilig, Pastor der Smithfield-Parochie, bedient. Keine Unterstützung nothwendig.

In der dritten Conferenz.

1. Girardville, Pa. — Diese Mission besteht aus der ev.-luth. Zions-Kirche daselbst. Pastor W. M. Rehrig hat vor September 1887 resignirt. Pastor J. O. Leibensperger ist dessen Nachfolger geworden. Die Unterstützung betrug $150.00. Auch diese Mission litt durch den „Strike". Die Gemeinde bittet um die Verlängerung der Unterstützung bis zum 1. August 1888.

2. Tremont, Pa. — Da die Aussicht vorhanden ist, daß der Pastor des Tremont-Districtes an zwei Gemeinden resigniren wird, welche leichter von dem Ober-Lykens Valley-Missionar bedient werden können, deßhalb wurde bestimmt, die Hälfte von der Unterstützungssumme, welche der Ober-Lykens Valley-Mission in der fünften Conferenz gegeben war, dem Tremont-District zuzuwenden, nämlich $100.00 für dieses Jahr.

3. Gilberton, Pa. — Für diesen Ort wurden $50.00 für's Jahr verwilligt.

In der vierten Conferenz.

1. Mt. Joy, Pa. — Trinity Kirche. Pastor J. H. Umbenhen. Die Gemeinde selbst brachte eine Verminderung der Unterstützung in Vorschlag und so erhält sie nun statt wie bisher $200.00 noch $150.00 per Jahr.

2. Columbia, Pa. — Die englische St. Johns Gemeinde. Pastor J. R. Shoffner resignirte und seine Arbeit an dieser Gemeinde fand ihren Abschluß im October 1887. Die Gemeinde ist entmuthigt worden, weil sie an mehrere Pastoren Rufe ergehen ließ, die nicht angenommen wurden. A. M. Merkham, stud. theol., hat einen Ruf erhalten als Pastor, nachdem derselbe ordinirt ist. Die Unterstützung beträgt für's Jahr $150.00.

3. Steelton, Pa.— Der Präsident der Conferenz berichtete von der Organisation einer Gemeinde an diesem Orte. Eine Kirche ist erworben. Da nun aber die Gemeinde keinen Pastor berufen kann vor September oder October, so ist die Unterstützung bis dahin nicht nöthig.

In der fünften Conferenz.

1. Danville, Pa. — Pastor J. R. Groff berichtete in der April-Versammlung, daß er resignirt habe. Diese Mission besteht aus drei Gemeinden. Pastor D. C. Fogelman ist als dessen Nachfolger erwählt worden und hat seine Arbeit in diesem Felde im April 1888 begonnen. Die Mission verlangt keine Unterstützung mehr. Die Unterstützung bis zum März war $200.00.

2. Ober-Lykens Valley-Mission. — Pastor S. S. Henry, Pillow, Pa. Diese Mission besteht aus den drei Gemeinden: Klingers, Colemans, Arzt-Higgens und Stutzmans. Diese zwei letzteren Gemeinden gehörten früher zum Tremont-Districte. Die Unterstützung $100.00.

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3. Lykens, Pa. — Pastor M. B. Lenker. Die Mission umfaßt die drei Gemeinden zu Lykens, Williamstown und Tower City. Diese Mission litt durch den „Strike", der Pastor war einige Zeit schwer krank. Die Unterstützung $100.00.

4. Shamokin, Pa. — Eine Mission ist an diesem Orte begonnen worden und wurde versorgt von Pastor H. Weickfel in Line Mountain, Pa., mit Mithülfe seines Sohnes, Student des theologischen Seminars in Philadelphia. Die Unterstützung war $25.00 per Vierteljahr. Die Gemeinde beabsichtigt, W. Weickfel als ihren Pastor zu berufen, sobald er die Ordination erlangt hat. Die Unterstützung ist $200.00 per Jahr.

5. Richfield, Juniata Co., Pa. — Pastor Geo. J. Schäffer. Das ist eine neue Mission. Der Missionar berichtet günstig, das Feld ist verheißungsvoll. Unterstützung $200.00.

6. Mission in Potter und Tioga Counties, Pa. — Der Präsident der fünften Conferenz berichtet, daß noch kein Missionar für dieses Missionsfeld gewonnen werden konnte. Die frühere Unterstützung im Betrage von $600.00 per Jahr mit Abrechnung der Gaben, die im Arbeitsfeld empfangen werden, wurde erneuert.

Die statistischen Berichte der verschiedenen Missionsstellen werden in den Synodalverhandlungen in den Parochialrubriken erscheinen. Die vermehrten Missionsstationen verlangen eine vermehrte Beisteuer. Viele neue Missionen sollten im Verbande unserer Synode in's Leben gerufen werden, z. B. in Städten der Eisenbahn entlang, in welchen die Bevölkerung schnell und stark zunimmt. An Orten, wo für den englischen Gottesdienst noch keine Vorkehrung getroffen ist, in größeren und kleineren Städten, wo die zuströmende deutsche lutherische Bevölkerung in Gemeinden gesammelt werden soll — und man denke nicht zuletzt an die fast maßlosen Pfarrparochien im Lande.

7. Die deutsche, sowie die englische Philadelphia-Stadtmissionsbehörde werden der Synode besondere Berichte vorlegen. Es wurden diesen Missionen vierteljährliche Verwilligungen gemacht.

Die Summe, welche während des Jahres von der Executiv-Committee zur Unterstützung der 37 Missionen verwilligt und verausgabt worden ist, beträgt $6896.39. Von dieser Summe wurden für die 26 Missionsstellen, welche unter directer Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehen, $3908.89, für die 6 deutschen Stadtmissionsstationen $1637.50 ($200.00 von dieser Summe für den Kaplan des deutschen Hospitals), für die 5 englischen $1350.00 ausgegeben, welches eine Totalausgabe für Stadtmissionen von $2987.50 ergibt.

Heiden-Mission.

In der Versammlung der Executiv-Committee im Januar 1888 wurde bestimmt, $500.00 aus dem allgemeinen Synodalfond an den Schatzmeister der Heiden-Missions-Committee des General-Concils zu übertragen.

Unterstützung der Pastoren-Wittwen.

Es wurden bedürftige Wittwen nach Anweisung der Synode unterstützt.

Die Unterstützung eines alten Pastors

wurde fortgesetzt nach Anweisung der Synode.

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Des Schatzmeisters-Bericht.

Des Schatzmeisters Rechnungen wurden von Zeit zu Zeit untersucht und stets richtig befunden.

Finanzplan des General-Concils für einheimische Mission.

Bei der letzten Synodal-Versammlung berichteten die Delegaten des General-Concils: Der Finanzplan für das Missionswerk des General-Concils wurde von letzterem an die mit ihm in Verbindung stehenden Synoden verwiesen (siehe engl. Verhandl. pag. 52 und 53; deutsche Verhandl. pag. 61). Vorschläge, welche dem General-Concil unterbreitet worden sind durch die resp. Synoden wurden einer Committee zugewiesen, welche über die verschiedenen Synodalvorschläge wieder zu berichten hatte.

Diese Beschlüsse, wie der Plan zur Führung des Missionswerkes des General-Concils, sowie auch dasjenige der Synoden, welche in Verbindung mit dem General-Concil sind, wurden der Executiv-Committee zur eingehenden Berathung zugewiesen mit dem Auftrage, hierzu die deutsche und englische einheimische Missions-Committee des General-Concils zur Mitberathung beizuziehen, um das Resultat der gemeinschaftlichen Berathung bei der regelmäßigen Versammlung vorlegen zu können.

Die Executiv-Committee wurde ersucht, die Arbeit vor der Versammlung des General-Concils im September (1887) zu thun, um das Resultat diesem Körper vorlegen zu können. (Siehe engl. Verhandl. der Synode pag. 63; deutsche Verhandl. pag. 72.)

Diese drei Committeen versammelten sich am 5. Juli 1887 in Reading, Pa., und zwar bestanden sie aus dreizehn Gliedern der Executiv-Committee, von der deutschen einheimischen Missions-Committee waren anwesend: Pastoren F. Wischan, J. J. Kündig, G. A. Hinterleitner D. D., und Herr A. Bendel, und von der englischen: Pastoren J. A. Seiß D. D., und F. J. F. Schantz. Nach eingehender Berathung des Berichtes und der Beschlüsse einigte sich die zusammengesetzte Committee und nahm den ersten Beschluß in der Form an:

> Beschlossen, das Ministerium stimmt der Centralisation des Missionswerkes des General-Concils unter den drei Committeen, jedes mit seinem eigenen Schatzmeister, bei.

In Bezug der anderen vorgelegten Beschlüsse konnte nichts gethan werden. Eine Abschrift des obigen Beschlusses wurde dem General-Concil bei der letzten Versammlung in Greenville September 1887 vorgelegt.

Vorkehrungen für die jährlichen Ansprachen bei der Versammlung des Ministeriums.

Die Executiv-Committee einigte sich dahin, daß an zwei Abenden während der Synodal-Versammlung Ansprachen gehalten werden sollen und zwar an dem einen Abend in der englischen Sprache und an dem andern Abend in der deutschen.

Folgende Pastoren wurden durch die Executiv-Committee bezeichnet:

Ueber die Erziehungssache: In deutscher Sprache Pastor G. F. Spieker D. D., in englischer Sprache Pastor C. J. Cooper.

Ueber Mission: In deutscher Sprache Pastor J. Gruhler, in englischer Sprache Pastor E. Smith.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

Der deutsche Secretär.

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Der Bericht wurde angenommen. Der Finanzplan des General-Concils für Einheimische Mission soll in Verbindung mit dem Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil berathen werden (Siehe Neunte Sitzung).

Hierauf folgte die Wahl solcher Glieder, die mit den Synodalbeamten an der Executiv-Committee dienen sollen.

Als Stimmzähler ernannte der Vorsitzer die Pastoren H. H. Bruning, M. Schimpf, C. J. Hirzel. Laien: Achtb. F. Schuman, M. Langenstein, H. J. Trexler. —

Pastor H. Grahn verlas den

Bericht der Behörde für die deutsche Stadtmission in Philadelphia.

Ihre Committee beehrt sich, der hochwürdigen Synode hiermit ihren Jahresbericht vorzulegen.

Wir freuen uns, berichten zu können, daß die Immanuels-Gemeinde in Frankford unter Pastor M. Schimpf seit Neujahr auf die jährliche Synodal-Unterstützung verzichtet hat. Diese Verzichtleistung ist um so anerkennenswerther, als die Gemeinde im Laufe des Jahres bedeutende Reparaturen zu machen hatte und durch Ausfall der Unterstützung Pastor und Gemeinde neue Opfer auf sich nahmen. Möge der Herr sie ferner reichlich segnen!

Es verbleiben außer dem deutschen Hospital noch fünf Gemeinden unter der Aufsicht Ihrer Committee.

1. Die St. Thomas-Gemeinde zu Germantown. Pastor F. Jelden. Die Gemeinde besteht aus 150 Gliedern mit einer Sonntagschule von 17 Lehrern und 70 Kindern. Sie wurde mit $250 unterstützt.

2. St. Peters-Gemeinde in West-Philadelphia. Pastor E. H. Pohle. Die Gemeinde zählt 76 Glieder und hat eine Sonntagschule mit 18 Lehrern und 140 Schülern. Sie hat $3000 Schulden und wurde mit $400 unterstützt.

3. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde, Rising Sun. Pastor J. A. Linsz. Gemeindeglieder: 160, mit 16 Lehrern und 180 Schülern in der Sonntagschule. Es wurden 22 junge Leute confirmirt. Die Gemeinde ist mit einer Schuld von $2000 belastet. Gehaltszulage $350.

4. Christus-Mission. Diese Mission, die beiden Gemeinden Christus und St. Markus umfassend, ist durch die Resignation des Pastors J. Witte vakant geworden und seit dem 26. Mai v. J. von dem Candidaten Herrn H. Weigand provisorisch bedient worden. Er berichtet 70 Gemeindeglieder und 22 Lehrer mit 200 Schülern in der Sonntagschule der Christus-Kirche; und 44 Glieder mit 8 Lehrern und 90 Schülern in der Sonntagschule der Markus-Kirche. Während der Vacanz hat die Mission keine Unterstützung bezogen.

5. Kreuz-Gemeinde. Ecke der 9. Straße und Lehigh Ave. Pastor J. Heck. Diese Gemeinde zählt 74 Glieder; hält eine Parochialschule mit einem Lehrer und 61 Schülern, sowie eine Sonntagschule mit 18 Lehrern und 195 Kindern. Sie wurde von der Executiv-Committee als Missions-Gemeinde aufgenommen und mit $300 unterstützt. Ihr neues Kirchengebäude ist im Erdgeschoß vollendet und zum vorläufigen gottesdienstlichen und Schul-Gebrauch sehr solid und geschmackvoll eingerichtet. Die Gemeinde hat bisher die Mittel

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nicht erschwingen können, den Bau fortzusetzen. Am 6. November wurde der fertige Theil feierlichst dem Dienste des dreieinigen Gottes geweiht. Die junge Gemeinde hat eine Schuldenlast von $15,814.96 auf sich ruhen und bedarf und verdient die kräftigste Unterstützung.

6. Das deutsche Hospital. Diese Anstalt beherbergt beständig eine größere oder geringere Anzahl kranker und sterbender deutscher Glaubensgenossen, die von Pastor J. Heck als Hausgeistlichen bedient werden. Derselbe hält regelmäßig wöchentlichen Gottesdienst und übt die nöthige Seelsorge. Er berichtet 106 Communicanten im Laufe des Jahres. Sein Gehalt, ausschließlich von der Synode gewährt, beträgt $200.

Wir empfehlen aufs neue unsre deutsche Stadtmission dem Wohlwollen der hochwürdigen Synode und bitten demüthiglich um den reichen Segen unseres barmherzigen Gottes und Herrn.

H. Grahn, Präsident.

Der Bericht der Behörde für englische Stadtmission in Philadelphia lautet:

Bericht der Behörde für englische Stadtmission in Philadelphia.

St. Peters, Reed Straße, unterhalb der Neunten, Ehrw. E. R. Cassaday, Pastor. Zunahme während des Jahres 34; Verluste durch Tod 6; durch Entlassung 13; durch Ausschluß 25 — zusammen 47. Communicanten 200 — Abnahme 55. Durchschnittlicher Besuch der Gottesdienste 125 — Abnahme 50. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $9000, Gemeindeschuld keine. Collecten für alle Zwecke $1378.13. Sonntagschulkinder 325.

Epiphanias-Kirche in Camden, N. J., Ehrw. C. R. Binder, Pastor. Zunahme während des Jahres 19, Verluste 2; Communicanten 136 — Zunahme 19. Durchschnittsbesuch 100 — Zunahme 25. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $17,000 — Zunahme $6000. Gemeindeschuld $6828 — Zunahme $2828. Collecten für alle Zwecke $2469.14. Sonntagschulkinder 169 — Zunahme 9.

Diese Gemeinde hält nun die Gottesdienste in der eigenen Kapelle und die Aussichten derselben sind günstig.

Advents-Kirche, Fünfte Straße und Columbia Ave., Ehrw. J. F. C. Fluck, Pastor. Zunahme während des Jahres 47; Verlust 12; Communicanten 296 — Zunahme 15. Durchschnittsbesuch 196 — Zunahme 25. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $11,500. Gemeindeschuld $5260 — Abnahme $1000. Collecten für alle Zwecke $2574.72. Sonntagschulkinder 363 — Zunahme 13.

St. Paulus-Kirche, 22. Straße oberhalb der Columbia Ave., Ehrw. R. M. Zimmerman, Pastor. Zunahme während des Jahres 65; Verlust durch Tod und Ausschluß 55. Communicanten 260. Durchschnittsbesuch 165 — Zunahme 33. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $12,000. Gemeindeschuld $5800 — Zunahme $1358. Zur Abtragung der Gemeindeschuld von $6419.69 hat die Gemeinde in Geld und Subscriptionen $1044.69 aufgebracht. Collecten für alle Zwecke (Summe zur Abtragung der Gemeindeschuld nicht mit eingerechnet) $1983.32. Sonntagschulkinder 275 — Zunahme 10.

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Ihre Behörde kann mit Genugthuung berichten, daß während des Jahres die Christus-Gemeinde, Chestnut Hill, Ehrw. C. J. Hirzel, Pastor, selbstständig geworden ist, und daß die St. Peters-Gemeinde, Ehrw. E. R. Cassaday, Pastor, ihre ganze Gemeindeschuld abgetragen hat, und daß Ihre Committee im Stande gewesen ist, die Gesammtforderung für Unterstützung etwas niedriger zu stellen.

Während des Winters wurden zwei neue Missionsgemeinden gegründet: eine an der 19. und Reed Straße und die andere in dem Tioga-Bezirk der Stadt. Beide Gemeinden haben günstige Aussichten und haben schon Schritte gethan, um Pastoren zu berufen.

Auch hat Ihre Behörde andere Missionspunkte im Auge und sie ist der Ueberzeugung, daß, wenn ein thätiger Missionar gefunden werden könnte, andere Missionen unter sehr günstigen Aussichten gegründet werden könnten. Schritte sind gethan worden, um einen solchen Missionar zu gewinnen, aber bis jetzt ohne Erfolg. Achtungsvollst unterbreitet

E. E. Sibole, Secretär.

Die Berichte wurden angenommen und

Beschlossen: Daß die bisherige Anordnung betreffs der Philadelphia-Stadtmissionsbehörden fortbestehen soll.

Der deutsche Secretär verlas den

Bericht der Secretäre über unerledigte Geschäfte.

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll:

Seite 46 in den Deutschen Verhandlungen, S. 38 in den Englischen wurde die Publications-Committee beauftragt für den Druck der revidirten Constitution zu sorgen. Ist das geschehen? Ja.

S. 46 D. V., S. 39 E. V. wurde die Committee über die revidirte Constitution ersucht, eine getreue Abschrift des Freibriefs, der Synodalordnung &c. herstellen zu lassen &c. Ist das geschehen? Ja.

S. 46 D. V., S. 41 E. V. wurden die Gesuche um Errichtung einer deutschen Conferenz verschoben. — Die von mehreren deutschen Gemeinden eingegangenen Gesuche wurden verlesen und Beschlossen: Dieselben einer Committee zu übergeben, welche mit den betreffenden Pastoren und den Gemeindeabgeordneten eine Zusammenkunft halten und an die Synode berichten soll. (Siehe hierüber auch die Verhandlungen in der dritten, vierten und zehnten Sitzung.)

S. 53 D. V., S. 32 und 45 E. V. Unterstützung der Anstalt in Kropp. Es ist keine Anfrage um Unterstützung gemacht worden.

S. 62 D. V., S. 55 E. V. Ist die Committee über Frauen-Arbeit in der Kirche bereit, dieses Jahr zu berichten? Kein Bericht. Dr. S. A. Repaß wurde der Committee zugegeben.

S. 67 D. V., S. 59 E. V. Die Suspension Pastor Klinglers soll bis zu der diesjährigen Versammlung in Kraft bleiben. — Diese Angelegenheit wird in anderer Form vorkommen.

S. 72 D. V., S. 55 und 63 E. V. Ueber den Finanzplan für das Einheimische Missionswerk des General-Concils soll die Executiv-Committee dieses Jahr an die Synode berichten. — Dieses ist theilweise geschehen und wird ausführlicher darüber berichtet werden im Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil.

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S. 72 D. V., S. 64 E. V. Die Beamten der Synode bilden eine Committee, neue Ordinationsscheine herstellen zu lassen. Was ist geschehen? Zu den genannten Beamten ist die Facultät des Seminars hinzugezogen worden. Für den vorläufigen Gebrauch wurden einfache Scheine besorgt. Die Arbeit der Committee wurde gutgeheißen und Beschlossen: Daß die Committee fortbestehen soll und hiemit beauftragt werde, Ordinationsscheine in vorzüglichstem Styl herstellen zu lassen und auch die nöthigen Platten anzukaufen.

L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secretär.
J. W. Early, englischer Secretär.

Der ehrw. Präsident ernannte folgende regelmäßige Committeen:

1. Ueber den Jahresbericht des Präsidenten: Die Pastoren: H. E. Jakobs D. D., M. C. Horine, D. H. Geissinger, J. A. Darmstätter, L. Groh, H. Grahn, S. E. Ochsenford; Laien: J. O. Knauß, Levi Ließ, Heinr. Hemsath, M. Langenstein, W. Beyerly.

2. Ueber des Präsidenten Rechnung: Die Pastoren G. A. Hinterleitner D. D., J. Kohler, W. G. Laitzle.

3. Ueber Entschuldigungen: Die Pastoren; J. K. Plitt, G. F. Gardner, O. Leopold, J. W. Bieber, J. J. Creßman, Z. H. Gable, Geo. S. Seaman, E. S. Brownmiller.

4. Ueber Aufnahme von Gemeinden: Die Pastoren: E. A. Bauer, J. Gruhler, F. Berkemeyer, E. L. Reed; die Laien: W. H. Rothermel, Dr. A. B. Johnson, Dr. R. K. Bührle.

5. Ueber Disciplin: Die Pastoren: B. M. Schmucker D. D., B. W. Schmauk, H. N. Fegley.

6. Ueber Parochial-Berichte: Die Pastoren: R. M. Zimmerman, J. H. Kuder, W. A. C. Müller, Theo. Schmauk, J. Darmstätter; die Laien: Geo. C. Böhm, W. T. Breinig, E. Armstrong, H. Huber, C. Cotner.

7. Ueber den Bericht des Schatzmeisters: Die Pastoren: G. D. Bernheim D. D., D. M. Henkel D. D., J. W. Haßler, J. F. Wampole, W. H. Myers; die Laien: W. Hauff, J. G. Houser, C. L. Barron, H. J. Trexler.

8. Ueber die letztjährigen Verhandlungen: Die Secretäre der Synode.

9. Ueber Konferenz-Verhandlungen: Die Secretäre der Konferenzen.

Hierauf Vertagung. Gebet von Pastor A. Richter.

Dritte Sitzung.

Freitag, den 25. Mai, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Pastor E. H. Pohle sprach das Gebet. Die Verhandlungen der zweiten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Die Wahlaufseher berichteten Folgende als in die Executiv-Committee gewählt: Die Pastoren F. J. F. Schantz, T. L. Seip D. D., B. M.

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Schmucker D. D., J. Fry D. D., M. C. Horine und die Laien A. W. Potteiger, T. H. Diehl, C. R. Lantz, W. A. Henry, L. H. Ließ.

Pastor Dr. Schmucker unterbreitete hierauf den

Bericht der Directoren des theologischen Seminars.

Eine Specialsitzung des Verwaltungsrathes in Verbindung mit der Facultät des Seminars wurde gehalten am 10. October 1887, um Bestimmungen zu treffen in Bezug auf die Pläne, Anordnung und den Platz des neuen Seminargebäudes. Der Agent, Pastor R. Hill, legte die Umrisse eines Planes des Gebäudes vor, der den Bedingungen entspräche, die die Synode in ihrer letzten Versammlung angegeben hatte, welcher Plan allgemein gutgeheißen wurde. Es wurde beschlossen, daß das Material für die Mauern des Gebäudes bestehen sollte aus Steinen von Germantown oder Chestnut Hill. Das Gebäude solle Raum haben für 100 Studenten und die Zimmer sollten durch Oefen geheizt werden; bezüglich Dampfheizung wolle man später sehen. Der Bauplatz wurde bestimmt und die Baucommittee wurde ermächtigt, den Bauplan durch einen Architecten ausarbeiten zu lassen, damit er der Facultät zur Annahme vorgelegt werde, und wenn angenommen, soll die Baucommittee bevollmächtigt sein, sich Ueberschläge und Berechnungen zu verschaffen und Contracte bezüglich der Errichtung des Gebäudes abzuschließen. Sie soll mit dem Bau vorangehen, sobald $20,000 baar zum Zweck des Baues da seien. Die Committee wurde autorisirt, jenes Eigenthum in West-Philadelphia öffentlich zum Verkauf anzubieten; ein Minimum als Preis wurde bestimmt.

Die jährliche Versammlung des Verwaltungsrathes wurde gehalten im Seminar den. 21. Mai 1888, bei welcher 14 Geistliche und 10 Laien unserer Synode und 2 Laien von dem New York-Ministerium als Directoren anwesend waren. Der Bericht der Facultät zeigte, daß während des letzten Jahres 64 Studenten im Seminar waren und zwar 21 in der Senioren-, 23 in der Mittel- und 20 in der Junior-Klasse, von welchen 3 sich von der Vorbereitung für's Predigtamt zurückgezogen hatten. 20 Senioren wurden zur Graduation zugelassen und werden sich bei unserer oder anderen Synoden zur Prüfung und Ordination melden.

Der größte Theil des ersten Tages wurde, wie gewöhnlich, auf die Prüfung der Studenten verwandt, und das Resultat gab keine geringe Zufriedenheit für den Verwaltungsrath. Es zeigte sich auch deutlich, daß, was auch die Schwierigkeiten der Verbindung der beiden Sprachen mit einander seien, das practische Resultat ein annehmbares sei.

Der Bericht des Schatzmeisters wird dessen Bericht an die Synode beigeschlossen sein. Der Schatzmeister des Ministeriums von New York berichtete, daß $717.15 an den Professor jenes Ministeriums ausbezahlt worden seien und daß sich der Fond jetzt auf $6991.45 belaufe.

Der Bericht des Agenten zeigte, daß $15,796.84 für das neue Seminar eingegangen seien während des letzten Jahres, was mit dem Betrag von $5762.84, der bei der letzten Synodalsitzung in Kasse war, $21,559.68 Totalsumme ausmache. Die Auslagen waren $4762.09, wovon $2462.00 für den Platz an Boyer Str. verwandt wurden, so daß ein Kassenrest von $16,797.59 übrig bleibt. Dazu wurde gerechnet eine Subscriptionssumme von $3000.00, zahlbar, wenn es gebraucht wird, und $3000.00, versprochen, daß sie einbezahlt werden bei dieser Synodalversammlung oder bald nachher.

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Einnahme von Anfang..... ..... $57,008.42
Auslagen 40,210.83

Rest $16,797.59

Da nach dem Urtheil der Baucommittee nun die Summe von $20,000.00 zum Bauen gesichert war, so ging diese Committee voran, Bauüberschläge zur Errichtung des Gebäudes zu erhalten, da der Plan dazu und die besonderen Bedingungen von der Committee und der Facultät angenommen worden waren. Ein Contract wurde abgeschlossen von $40,375.00, der die unterirdische Arbeit nicht einschließt. Die Handlung der Committee wurde vom Verwaltungsrath gutgeheißen. Die Arbeit wurde am 5. April 1888 begonnen und soll fertig sein in 10 Monaten, gerechnet von dem Tage an, an dem der Contract unterzeichnet worden war, welches geschah am 9. April. Das Seminargebäude soll eine Amtsstube für einen darin wohnenden Professor enthalten, ein Lesezimmer, Hallen und 80 Zimmer für die Studenten. Das neue Seminargebäude wird eine Länge haben von 110.6 Fuß und eine Breite von 108.6 Fuß und wird aus zwei Flügeln bestehen, verbunden durch ein Centralgebäude von 40x28 Fuß am oberen Ende eines Hofes von 37 Fuß Länge und 50 Fuß Tiefe. Es wird drei Stockwerke haben mit einem Erdgeschoß von 7 Fuß 4 Zoll Höhe, 5 Fuß über der Erde.

Die andern Stockwerke werden beziehungsweise 10½ und 10 Fuß hoch, die Durchschnittshöhe der Mauern wird 44 Fuß vom Boden sein. Drei Eingänge werden da sein, einer auf der östlichen, einer auf der westlichen und der Haupteingang auf der nördlichen Seite. Der Hof wird frei sein südwärts. Das ganze Gebäude wird in sieben Abtheilungen getheilt sein, getrennt durch fünf Mauern, die sich bis an's Dach hinaufziehen. Die unteren Ziersteine sollen aus dunkelm Germantown-Stein bestehen und die Mauern selbst aus Chestnut Hill blauen Steinen in gebrochener runder Behauung. Das Dach soll mit Chapman-Schiefer bedeckt werden. Das Professorenzimmer und das Lesezimmer sollen 14x25 Fuß sein und die Studentenzimmer 12x14 Fuß mit mit einem Wandschrank 6x2½ Fuß in jedem Zimmer.

Beschlossen: Da nun der Contract für die Errichtung des Seminars gemacht ist und die Zahlungen auf festgesetzte Termine geschehen müssen, so wird die Synode ersucht, Einrichtungen zu treffen für die sofortigen Einbezahlungen der von den Gemeinden collectirten Gelder, so daß kein Geldmangel da sei, wenn die Zahlungstermine kommen.

Beschlossen: Daß die Synode ersucht werde, die berechtigten Beamten zu bevollmächtigen, vorläufige Anlehen zu machen, wenn es nöthig sein sollte.

Das Eigenthum in West-Philadelphia konnte um den festgesetzten Preis von $30,000 nicht verkauft werden. Der Agent wurde bevollmächtigt, es zu verkaufen unter den von der Baucommittee festgesetzten Bedingungen.

Die Committee bezüglich des Singmaster-Vermächtnisses unterbreitete einen Bericht, der der Synode vorgelegt werden wird. Derselbe zeigte, daß auf die Empfehlung des Gerichts hin eine Ausgleichung stattgefunden habe, was von den Vertretern und den Advocaten der beiden betreffenden Seminarien einstimmig angenommen wurde, und was vom Gericht bestätigt worden ist. Gemäß dieses Abkommens ist die Hälfte des Personaleigenthums in die Hände eines Verwalters gelegt worden, wovon das Einkommen der Wittwe Zeitlebens zu Theil werden soll und das Kapital dem Seminar, wenn sie mit Tod abgeht. Der Schätzungspreis der Versicherungen bei der Uebertragung war $64,594.00.

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Das ganze Eigenthum geht bei'm Tode der Wittwe in den Besitz der Seminarien. Die Beamten des Verwaltungsrathes samt dem Ehrw. J. Kohler wurden angewiesen, eine Dankadresse abzufassen, um den Dank des Verwaltungsrathes, der Synode und der Kirche Herrn Singmaster und seiner Gattin für deren liberales Geschenk auszudrücken und solche Bestimmungen in der Sache zu treffen, wie sie es für passend finden.

Beschlossen: Die Synode zu ersuchen, ihren Schatzmeister zu beauftragen, die Hälfte der Ausgaben, welche von den zwei Seminarien gemacht worden sind, um diese Angelegenheit zu ordnen, auszuzahlen.

Herr Dr. Mann, der den Unterricht in der hebräischen Sprache und Exegese des alten Testamentes besorgte, bat, daß ein Repetent ernannt werden möchte, dem der elementarische Unterricht des Hebräischen überwiesen werden sollte, so daß mehr Zeit gewonnen würde für die anderen Zweige unter seiner Pflege. Diese Vorkehrung würde ihn in den Stand setzen, zweckentsprechendere Einrichtung zu treffen bezüglich des Unterrichts in Deutsch und Englisch. Der Verwaltungsrath ersucht die Synode, die Ernennung eines Repetenten der hebräischen Sprache als Gehülfe des Professors zu autorisiren. Wenn die Synode diesen Schritt bestätigt, so sollen die Beamten des Verwaltungsrathes von diesem ermächtigt sein, mit der Facultät den betreffenden Mann zu wählen. Durch den Edelmuth des Herrn Dr. Mann bewirkt, ist der größte Theil der Vergütung der Arbeit für einen solchen Gehülfen gesichert.

Der Verwaltungsrath beschloß seine Arbeiten um Mittag, um den Festfeierlichkeiten der Legung des Ecksteines des neuen Seminargebäudes zu Mt. Airy Dienstag, den 22. Mai, Nachmittags 3 Uhr, beizuwohnen. Der Grundstein wurde gelegt von Dr. G. F. Krotel, Präsident der Synode. Ansprachen wurden gehalten von Prof. Dr. C. W. Schäffer in der englischen und Dr. W. J. Mann in der deutschen Sprache; Glückwünsche per Telegraph wurden empfangen von der Facultät des Augustana-College und -Seminars, Rock Island, Ill., und vom Mühlenberg-College durch Dr. T. L. Seip, Präsident der Anstalt. Die Festlichkeiten fanden statt unter der Anordnung der Beamten des Verwaltungsrathes; sie wurden beschlossen mit dem Segen von Dr. J. A. Seiß, dessen Präsident. Die Theilnahme war groß und das Wetter schön.

Die Amtszeit von sechs geistlichen und eben so vielen Laien-Directoren endigt mit dieser Versammlung.

23. Mai 1888.

Ph. Pfatteicher, deutscher Secretär.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung entgegengenommen.

Die Erwägung des im Bericht gemachten Vorschlags bezüglich der Einzahlung seitens der Gemeinden der von ihnen für das neue Seminar gesammelten Gelder wurde aufgeschoben, bis die Conferenz-Verhandlungen zur Sprache kommen.

Die andern Vorschläge wurden gutgeheißen und angenommen.

In Verbindung mit obigem Bericht verlas Pastor A. Hill, Agent des Seminars, einen ausführlichen Bericht über das neue Seminar. Die Hauptpunkte desselben sind im Directoren-Bericht angegeben.

Hierauf verlas W. H. Staake, Esq., den Bericht der Committee über das Singmaster-Vermächtniß.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dem Archivarius der Synode übergeben. (Siehe auch Verhandlungen der zehnten und elften Sitzung.)

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Sodann wurde der Bericht der Directoren des theologischen Seminars als Ganzes angenommen.

Als Directoren des theologischen Seminars wurden erwählt:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. B. M. Schmucker D. D.,	Herr W. H. Staake, Esq.,
„ J. Fry D. D.,	„ J. Rommel M. D.,
„ W. A. Schäffer,	„ J. A. Geissenhainer, Esq.,
„ F. W. Weiskotten,	„ Heinrich Beates,
„ R. Hill,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ G. F. Spieker D. D.,	„ W. W. Kurtz.

Es wurden nun die Beschlüsse der ersten Ministerial-Sitzung über die ordinirten Geistlichen, die der Synode zur Aufnahme empfohlen waren, berichtet und die Aufnahme der Folgenden in die Synode beschlossen: Ehrw. J. B. Fox und J. J. Foust von der Pittsburg-Synode; H. Peters, J. H. Wendel, J. C. Gräpp und J. Niemann vom New York-Ministerium.

Die Genannten wurden hierauf dem Präsidenten vorgestellt, welcher ihnen ihre Aufnahme in die Synode mittheilte, ihnen die rechte Hand brüderlicher Gemeinschaft reichte und sie ersuchte, der Ordnung gemäß die Constitution zu unterzeichnen.

Der Ehrw. Dr. Schmucker verlas ein Schreiben von den Trustees der englischen St. Johns Gemeinde zu Philadelphia, Pa., bezüglich der Ernennung eines englischen Professors für die von der Gemeinde fundirte Professur im Seminar.

Auf Antrag wurde diese Schrift einer Committee übergeben, welche mit den Trustees der erwähnten Gemeinde eine Unterredung über diese Angelegenheit halten soll. Als Committee wurden ernannt: Der Präsident, die zwei Secretäre, der Schatzmeister der Seminar-Behörde und W. H. Staake, Esq.

Es wurde ferner

Beschlossen: Daß eine Committee ernannt werde, um der Synode in passender Form einen Vorschlag vorzulegen, durch welchen die Zions- und die St. Paulus-Gemeinden in Philadelphia ersucht werden, dem Seminar den Genuß des durch die betreffenden Grundstücke repräsentirten Werthes, der ihm in der Vergangenheit in so großmüthiger Weise gewährt wurde, auch fernerhin zu verwilligen.

Die zuletzt genannte Committee wurde auch für diese Angelegenheit ernannt. (Siehe elfte Sitzung.)

Hierauf schritt die Synode zur Wahl der Directoren des Theologischen Seminars mit folgenden Wahlauffehern: Die Pastoren J. L. Sibole, H. B. Strodach, E. H. Pohle, H. N. Fegley, C. E. Sandt; die Laien F. Alsfeld, Wm. Roat, F. Bender.

Ueber die von mehreren Gemeinden gestellten Gesuche um Constituirung einer deutschen Conferenz, ernannte der Vorsitzer folgende Committee: Die Pastoren Dr. B. M. Schmucker, D. Sanner, V. Pfatteicher, H. H. Bruning und die Laien F. W. Ließman, M. Langenstein, Carl Dürner.

Es wurde

Beschlossen: Daß der Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht das erste Geschäft am Montag Nachmittag sogleich nach der Eröffnung sein soll.

Hierauf Vertagung mit Gebet von Pastor F. Bender.

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Vierte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 26. Mai, Vorm. 9 Uhr.

Pastor Dr. S. A. Repaß leitete die Andacht. Die Verhandlungen der dritten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Die Namen der Predigtamts-Candidaten, die der Synode zur Ordination empfohlen worden waren, wurden verlesen und über jeden einzelnen besonders abgestimmt. (Siehe Ministerial-Verhandlungen.) Es wurde

Beschlossen: Diese jungen Brüder am Dienstag Abend, den 29. Mai, zu ordiniren.

Sie wurden hierauf dem Präsidenten vorgestellt, welcher ihnen die Entscheidung kund that, ihnen anzeigte, wann sie sich zur Ordination einfinden sollen, sie zu rechtem Ernste bei der Uebernahme der Obliegenheiten und Pflichten eines Botschafters des Herrn Jesu ermahnte und schließlich ersuchte, die Constitution zu unterzeichnen.

Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß verlas den

Bericht des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenberg-Collegiums.

Der Verwaltungsrath des Mühlenberg-Collegiums hielt während des Jahres zwei Versammlungen. Die Jahres-Versammlung wurde am 29. Juni 1887, und die halbjährliche Versammlung am 10. Januar 1888 abgehalten.

Der Katalog für 1887—88 zeigt, daß die ganze Anzahl der während des Schuljahres anwesenden Studenten 134 ist. Von dieser Zahl sind 75 in dem eigentlichen Collegium und 59 in dem academischen Department. Die graduirende Klasse besteht aus 13 Studenten, von denen 8 sich dem Predigtamt widmen wollen. Diese Zahl mag vielleicht eine noch größere werden, da drei weitere Zöglinge sich in dieser Sache noch nicht völlig entschieden haben. Das academische Department ist noch unter der Leitung der Professoren Ettinger und Dieter.

Die Verwalter führten bei der jährlichen Versammlung einen Elementar-Cursus des Hebräischen ein, der für Studenten im allgemeinen ein freiwilliger ist, an dem aber diejenigen Studenten, die das Predigtamt im Auge haben, theilnehmen müssen. Die Erlernung grammatikalischer Formen und die Fähigkeit, Sätze aus einer einfachen Chrestomathie übersetzen zu können, ist alles, was dieser Cursus zu geben beabsichtigt. Doktor Spieker wurde als Lehrer dieser Sprache ernannt.

Ein Cursus besonderer Vorlesungen neben dem regelmäßigen Unterrichtsplan wurde wieder vorgesehen, ohne der Anstalt eine Mehrausgabe zu verursachen. Diese Vorträge wurden gehalten von den ehrw. Doktoren Späth und Hilprecht, dem Ehrw. Ohl und Herrn Doktor H. F. Mühlenberg.

Auf das Verlangen des Verwaltungsrathes wurden die Pardee Bonds den Vorstehern des Collegiums übergeben.

Ein großes Zimmer im Erdgeschoß des Collegium-Gebäudes wurde zu einer Turnhalle mit neuen und geeigneten Geräthen eingerichtet, was mit nur geringen Kosten für die Anstalt gethan werden konnte.

Die Bibliothek und die Naturaliencabinete sind während des Jahres von verschiedenen Freunden des Collegiums reichlich beschenkt worden, was in dem Catalog dankbar anerkannt wird.

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Da das Ministerium den Vorschlag machte, daß zu Ehren von Heinrich Melchior Mühlenberg Gedenkfeiern in allen Kirchen sollten gehalten, und daß besondere Dankopfer für die weitere Fundirung der deutschen Professur sollten dargebracht werden, so fühlten sich die Vorsteher des Collegiums dazu verpflichtet, außergewöhnliche Anstrengungen zu machen, die Wünsche der Synode auszuführen. Zu diesem Zweck vertheilten sie 30,000 Exemplare eines Pamphlets von vier Seiten, in deutscher und englischer Sprache, das ein Bild des Patriarchen und einen Abriß seines Lebens und Wirkens enthielt. Es wurden auch Vorkehrungen getroffen, um ausführlichere Berichte über das Wirken und die Verhältnisse Mühlenbergs in den leitenden Landzeitungen unseres Territoriums mitzutheilen, um unsere Leute mit der frühen Geschichte unserer Kirche in diesem Lande bekannt zu machen und in ihnen eine würdige Anerkennung ihrer Anstalten wachzurufen. Die Glieder der Facultät wie auch der Agent des Collegiums nahmen freudig die zahlreichen Einladungen an, um über diesen Gegenstand das Volk zu belehren. Es gewährt uns Freude, sagen zu können, daß infolge dieser Anstrengungen in dem ganzen Gebiet unserer Synode fast allgemein solche Gedächtnißfeiern gehalten wurden, wo viel guter Same ausgestreut wurde, der ohne Zweifel gute Früchte für die Synode und das Collegium bringen wird. Ueber zweihundert Gemeinden haben bis jetzt ihre Gaben eingesandt, die sich im ganzen auf $4283.27 belaufen. Davon wurden $494.42 für nothwendige Zwecke des Collegiums ausgegeben. Die Bilanz von $3788.85 wurde dem Fundirungs-Fond der deutschen Professur beigefügt und sicher angelegt. Besagter Fond beläuft sich jetzt auf $10,827.37.

Die Unterschriften, welche bei der letzten Synodal-Versammlung und später gemacht wurden, um den Gehalt des deutschen Professors beizubringen, beliefen sich auf $1168. Von dieser Summe wurden dem Schatzmeister des Collegiums $913 einbezahlt, somit ist noch ein unbezahlter Rückstand von $255 vorhanden. Da das Einkommen für die deutsche Professur von dem Fundirungsfond etwa $600 beträgt, so hat die Synode für die weiteren $600 zu sorgen, um den Gehalt des deutschen Professors aufzubringen.

Die von der Synode verwilligten $1000 für allgemeine Auslagen des Collegiums sind empfangen und gut angewendet worden. Eine wiederholte Verwilligung für das kommende Jahr wird ergebenst gebeten. Bei der halbjährlichen Versammlung des Verwaltungsraths, die im Januar gehalten wurde, ist beschlossen worden, eine ernste Anstrengung zu machen, die auf der Anstalt lastende Schuld von $72,000 zu tilgen. Seit jener Zeit hat der Agent seine Bemühungen besonders diesem Gegenstand zugewendet und auch günstige Erfolge erzielt. Zwei Freunde des Collegiums, die schon zuvor die Anstalt reichlich beschenkten, und denen die Tilgung der Schuld am Herzen liegt, haben, um andere zum Geben und Arbeiten aufzumuntern und zu ermuthigen, ein schriftliches Versprechen gegeben, daß sie während eines Jahres eine Zulage von 20 Prozent zu allen für diesen Zweck gegebenen Beiträgen machen würden, mit dem Vorbehalt jedoch, wenn die Beiträge $50,000 nicht übersteigen; mit andern Worten, sie wollen zu je fünf Dollars einen Dollar legen und so bis zu $50,000. Dieses günstige und edle Anerbieten sollte uns alle dazu bewegen, freigebig gegen das Mühlenberg-Collegium zu sein, ehe der 1. März 1889, das Ende der Frist dieses Versprechens herbeikommt. Dem Agenten ist es bereits gelungen, etwa $6000 in Baargeld und Unterschriften für diesen Zweck zu bekommen. Die Herren Mosser und Keck, die in früheren

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Jahren die griechische Professur mit $20,000 fundierten, haben vergangenen März in liberaler Weise $10,000 beigefügt, und erhöhten somit den Fond auf $30,000.

Die Executiv-Committee des Verwaltungsrathes stattete diesen freigebigen Herren den schuldigen und herzlichen Dank ab für diese fortgesetzte Theilnahme.

Die Dienstzeit der folgenden Verwaltungsräthe kommt mit dieser Versammlung zu Ende: der Ehrw. G. F. Spieker D. D., J. D. Schindel, E. Smith, F. J. F. Schantz, J. N. S. Erb, G. A. Strunk und der Herren A. G. Säger, A. W. Potteiger, A. Stanley Ulrich, E. S. Shimer.

Achtungsvoll

S. A. Ziegenfuß, Schreiber des Verwaltungsraths.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung aufgenommen.

1. Die Bitte um Erneuerung der Verwilligung für das kommende Jahr von $1000.00 für allgemeine Auslagen des Collegiums wurde gewährt und die Auszahlung dieser Summe der Executiv-Committee aufgetragen.

2. Um die weiteren, für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors nöthigen, $600.00 aufzubringen, wurde die Committee für systematische Wohlthätigkeit instruirt, in die Auflagen der Gemeinden die Summe von $600.00 für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors mit einzuschließen.

Auch wurde die Executiv-Committee beauftragt, $600.00 für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors auszuzahlen.

Pastor C. J. Cooper, Schatzmeister und Finanz-Agent des Mühlenberg-Collegiums, verlas seinen Bericht über die von ihm empfangenen Beiträge.

Quittungen des Schatzmeisters des Mühlenberg Collegiums.

1. Gehalt des deutschen Professors im Mühlenberg Collegium.

Der Schatzmeister des Mühlenberg Collegiums bescheinigt hiermit, daß er folgende Beiträge empfangen hat von dem Schatzmeister der Synode, Ehrw. S. Laird, D. D., 3.—7. Juni 1887, für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors.

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Folgende Beiträge für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors wurden empfangen vom 7. Juni 1887 bis 8. Juni 1888.

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II. Mühlenberg-Gedächtniß-Opfer.

Der Schatzmeister des Mühlenberg Collegiums berichtet achtungsvoll, daß er Mühlenberg Gedächtniß-Opfer von folgenden Gemeinden empfangen hat; welche Gelder (ausgenommen $494.42, die ausbezahlt wurden für nöthige Auslagen auf Seiten des Collegiums) laut Beschluß der Synode für die deutsche Professur beigelegt worden sind.

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„ Wilkesbarre, „ C. Kühn		20 00
Quakake, Pastor L. Smith		9 00
St. Johannis, Bath, Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß	27 75	
„ Howertown, „ „ „	13 00	
		40 75
Gnaden, Bethlehem, Pastor C. Hemsath		46 03
Salem, „ „ E. Smith		33 31
St. Peters, South Bethlehem, Pastor W. F. Schöner		11 65
Cherryville, Pastor G. A. Brügel		5 00
Christus, Easton, Pastor J. M. Anspach		50 00
St. Johannis, „ „ D. H. Geissinger		80 00
Zions, „ „ P. Pfatteicher		18 71
St. Paulus, South Easton, Pastor J. D. Upp		12 50
Moorestown-Parochie, Pastor W. J. Andres		11 24
Christus, Centreville, „ J. W. Lazarus		18 00
Salem, Pastor D. Kunz	11 67	
Arndts, „ „	9 13	
		20 80
Trinitatis, Hecktown, St. Johannis, Farmersville, } Pastor J. W. Bieber		21 00
Gnaden, Philipsburg, N. J., Pastor G. D. Bernheim, D. D.		4 00
Lower Saucon, Pastor W. J. Bieber		7 07
Opfer der zweiten Conferenz		$1,078 11

Dritte Conferenz.

Amity, Pastor U. P. Heilman	$29 03	
Friedensburg, Pastor U. P. Heilman	15 64	
Pricetown, „ „ „	6 23	
		$50 90
Pastor U. P Heilman (persönlich)		25 00

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DeLongs, Pastor D. K. Humbert	7 03		
Long Swamp, „ „ „	17 92		
Hill, „ „ „	14 06		
Huffs, „ „ „	13 64		
St. Paulus „ „ „	8 01		
New Jerusalem, „ „ „	11 56		
		$72	22
Pastor B. S. Small		1	72
Hamburg, Pastor O. D. Miller		17	00
Heilige Dreieinigkeits, Kutztown, Pastor W. A. C. Müller	12 35		
Moselem, Pastor W. A. C. Müller	2 35		
		14	70
Parochie des Pastor J. J. Kreßman		25	00
Oley, Pastor T. T. Jäger	6 00		
Schalters, „ „ „	3 50		
Bern, „ „ „	9 10		
Zion, „ „ „	10 09		
		28	69
Gnaden, Reading, Pastor W. H. Myers		10	00
St. Jakobus, „ „ M. C. Horine		26	00
Elsaß, Pastor F. K. Huntzinger	4 42		
St. Peters, „ „ „	6 33		
		10	75
Glaubens-Kapelle, Reading, Pastor L. J. Bickel	7 00		
Hoffnungs- „ „ „ „ „	2 25		
Friedens- „ „ „ „ „	1 35		
		10	60
St. Johannis, Leesport, Pastor B. D. Zweizig	6 50		
Trinitatis, Sinking Spring, „ „ „	5 25		
Eplers, Pastor B. D. Zweizig	3 00		
St. Michaelis, „ „ „	11 00		
Maidencreek, „ „ „	2 00		
Hinnerschitz, „ „ „	4 00		
		31	75
Christus, Pastor A. J. Long	1 74		
Rehrersburg, „ „ „	19 00		
Elias, „ „ „	8 00		
		28	74
Zions, Minersville, Pastor G. F. W. Günsch		4	27
Orwigsburg, Pastor J. N. S. Erb		100	00
Trinitatis, Reading, Pastor J. Fry, D. D.		101	45
Trinitatis, Pottsville, Pastor G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.		20	79
St. Johannis, Shenandoah, Pastor J. Gruhler		11	64
Schuylkill Haven, Pastor E. H. Small		5	00
Tremont Pfarrstelle, Pastor D. Sanner		20	00
Zions, Tamaqua, Pastor J. O. Schlenker		12	75
Opfer der dritten Conferenz		$628	97

Vierte Conferenz.

Christus, Elizabethtown, Pastor G. Seaman	$11	25
Trinitatis, Lancaster, „ C. L. Fry	60	48
Zions, „ „ F. P. Mayser	51	60
Millersville Pfarrstelle, „ J. W. Early	14	00
Trinitatis, Mount Joy, „ J. H. Umbenhen	8	00
„ New Holland, „ J. W. Haßler	5	00
Reamstown Pfarrstelle, „ B. G. Welder	55	00

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Zions, Jonestown, Pastor A. B. Markley	21 26	
Palmyra, Pastor A. B. Markley	9 50	
		$30 76
Salem, Lebanon, Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk	84 88	
St. Paulus, Annville, „ „ „ „ „	40 20	
		125 08
Friedens, Myerstown, Pastor F. J. F. Schantz	27 35	
St. Johannis, Mt. Etna, „ „ „	12 65	
		40 00
Lickdale-Parochie, Pastor S. B. Stupp		6 60
Trinitatis, Pastor E. S. Brownmiller	13 94	
Salems, „ „ „	8 00	
Schöneck, „ „ „	11 06	
Schwamm, „ „ „	13 00	
Zions, (Reeds) „ „ „	13 00	
		59 00
Opfer der vierten Conferenz		$466 77

Fünfte Conferenz.

St. Johannis, Pastor J. P. German	$2 06	
Briar Creek, „ „ „	2 28	
Mount Zion, „ „ „	3 66	
		$8 00
St. Johannis, Catawissa, Pastor J. H. Neiman	8 72	
St. Paulus, Numidia, „ „ „	13 08	
		21 80
Elizabethville, Pastor J. Hillpot	3 73	
St. Johannis, „ „ „	4 61	
Salems, „ „ „	2 40	
Millers, „ „ „	2 90	
Gratz, „ „ „	2 14	
		15 78
Pillow-Parochie, Pastor W. H. Geiger		18 00
Mahanoy-Parochie, Pastor D. M. Stettler		15 70
Trevorton Sonntagschule		5 00
Beavertown-Parochie, Pastor O. E. Pflüger		6 00
Freeburg-Parochie, Pastor J. F. Wampole		20 00
Selinsgrove, Pastor S. E. Ochsenford	7 26	
Zions, Pastor S. E. Ochsenford	8 74	
		16 00
Dushore-Parochie, Pastor S. Wenrich		5 25
Trinitatis, Danville, Pastor C. K. Drumheller		8 20
Turbotville-Parochie, Pastor A. P. Pflüger		12 53
Englische, Williamsport, Pastor A. L. Yount		5 00
Opfer der fünften Conferenz		$157 26

Persönliche Opfer.

Mary B. J. Brooke, Birdsboro, Pa., Ur-Ur-Enkel Mühlenbergs	$50 00
Dr. Donald Muhlenberg Cammean, Ur-Ur-Enkel Mühlenbergs	25 00
James Muhlenberg Bailey, Ur-Ur-Enkel Mühlenbergs	50 00
Muhlenberg College	17 51
Adelaide Craig, Reading, Pa., Ur-Enkelin Mühlenbergs	25 00
Mrs. C. Moore, Macungie	1 00
C. und R. Himmelwright, Cressson, Pa	2 00
Mary L. Beerbower, Trappe	10 00
G. W. Frederick	15 00
Ehrw. G. G. Kunkel	2 25
	$197 76

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Zusammenstellung.

I. Conferenz:	aus	55	Parochien	haben	32	Opfer	gebracht	.....	$1928 23
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III.	„	„ 31	„	„	20	„	„	.....	628 97
IV.	„	„ 25	„	„	12	„	„	.....	466 77
V.	„	„ 22	„	„	12	„	„	.....	157 26
		187			110				$4259 34
Persönliche Opfer.....									197 76
									$4457 10
Weniger Kosten auf Seiten des Collegiums.....									494 42
Bleibt übrig für die deutsche Professur.....									$3962 68

Mit Dank bescheinigt

C. J. Cooper,
Schatzmeister des Mühlenberg College.

Allentown, Pa., den 8. Juni 1888.

Sodann redete Pastor Cooper über den gegenwärtigen Stand des Collegiums und über die Anstrengungen, welche gemacht worden sind, die auf der Anstalt ruhende Schuldenlast abzutragen. Ihm folgte der Präsident des Collegiums, T. L. Seip D. D. — Hierauf

Beschlossen: Daß die Synode das großmüthige Anerbieten der Herren Moser und Keck dankbar anerkennt, demzufolge sie so reichlich zu der Unterhaltungssumme für das Mühlenberg-Collegium beizutragen sich erklärten, daß sie 20 Prozent von allen den in diesem Jahr, endend am 1. März 1889, gesammelten Beiträgen für die Tilgung der auf dieser Anstalt lastenden Schuld hinzufügen wollen. — Ferner, daß wir allen Gemeinden, in welchen der Agent Beiträge für genannten Zweck sammeln mag, ihn und sein Werk empfehlen.

Der Bericht des Verwaltungsrathes des Collegiums wurde nun als Ganzes angenommen.

Die stehende Committee über den Gehalt des deutschen Professors im Collegium wurde entlassen.

Die Synode nahm sodann die Wahl der Trustees des Collegiums vor mit den folgenden Wahlaufsehern: Die Pastoren F. K. Berndt, J. W. Bieber, D. L. Coleman, J. S. Erb, G. D. Foust; die Laien H. S. Cassel, J. L. Kramer, J. S. Fischer.

Als Trustees des Mühlenberg-Collegiums wurden erwählt:

Pastoren:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. F. Spieker D. D.,	Herr A. G. Säger,
„ J. D. Schindel,	„ E. S. Shimer,
„ F. J. F. Schantz,	„ A. W. Potteiger,
„ Enoch Smith,	„ A. S. Ulrich, Esq.
„ J. N. S. Erb,	
„ G. A. Strunz.	

Pastor A. Richter überreichte der Synode als Geschenk im Namen des Verfassers, Pastor Johannes Nicum, ein Exemplar der Geschichte des New York-Ministeriums, welche dieser Körper herstellen ließ. Es wurde

Beschlossen: Daß wir hiermit den Empfang dieses Buches dankbar anerkennen, und daß dasselbe in die Bibliothek unseres Theologischen Seminars gestellt werde.

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Der Committee über die Gesuche von deutschen Gemeinden um Errichtung einer deutschen Conferenz wurde erlaubt, durch ihren Vorsitzer, Dr. B. M. Schmucker, den Bericht der Committee über die deutsche Conferenz jetzt vorzulegen. (Siehe den Bericht in der zehnten Sitznng.)

Dr. Fry stellte den Antrag, daß die weitere Erörterung des Berichts verschoben werde, bis der Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht vorgelegt worden ist.

Ehe es jedoch zur Abstimmung über diesen Antrag kam, war die Stunde der Vertagung herbeigekommen.

Pastor M. Schimpf sprach das Schlußgebet.

Fünfte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 26. Mai, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Der Ehrw. Dr. Weickfel leitete den Eröffnungs-Gottesdienst.

Die Verhandlungen der Vormittags-Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Dr. Fry's am Schluß der vorigen Sitzung gestellter Antrag wurde nun weiter besprochen und mit 94 gegen 62 Stimmen angenommen.

Herr H. Lehman, Präsident des Verwaltungsraths, verlas in Abwesenheit des Secretärs den

29. Jahresbericht des Waisenhauses und Asyls zu Germantown, Pa.

Die Gnade und Güte unseres himmlischen Vaters hat diese Anstalt unserer Kirche wieder ein Jahr geschenkt und wir loben und danken dem allmächtigen Gott, daß Er unsere Arbeit mit gutem Erfolg begleitet und uns mit reichem Segen beschenkt hat, so daß wir mittheilen können, daß die Anstalt sich in einem befriedigenden und erfreulichen Zustande befindet, und wir hoffnungsvoll zu Ihm aufblicken, dessen Güte ewiglich währet und bitten, Er möge uns auch in der Zukunft in Seinen Schutz nehmen und uns gnädig sein.

I. Das Waisenhaus.

Der Gesundheitszustand der Waisenkinder war alles, was man wünschen konnte während des verflossenen Jahres. Seit 2 Jahren kam weder schwere Krankheit noch Todesfall vor. Der Name des Herrn sei dafür gepriesen.

Die Zahl der Kinder am 1. April 1887 war	76
Nämlich 52 Knaben und 24 Mädchen.	
Während des Jahres wurden aufgenommen 13 Knaben und 2 Mädchen	15
	91
Es verließen die Anstalt 7 Knaben und 1 Mädchen	8
Somit verbleiben	83

Es verließen die Anstalt 8 Waisen, 7 Knaben und 1 Mädchen, welche ein Handwerk lernten oder zu ihren Freunden und Verwandten gingen, die willig und im Stande waren, für dieselben zu sorgen. 83 verbleiben also, nämlich 58 Knaben und 25 Mädchen, eine Zunahme von 7.

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Die Kinder gehen regelmäßig in die evangelisch-lutherische St. Michaelis-Kirche (Ehrw. Pastor J. P. Deck) zum Gottesdienst und zur Sonntagschule. Sechs Knaben und ein Mädchen wurden confirmirt, nachdem sie dem Unterricht im Katechismus beiwohnten und eine Prüfung bestanden und von Pastor und Kirchenrath der St. Michaelis-Kirche als vorbereitet dazu erklärt wurden.

Der Hausvater, Herr Karl F. Kuhnle und seine Gattin stehen der Anstalt treulich vor und verdienen den herzlichsten Dank für die tüchtige Verwaltung der schwierigen Aufgabe Tag für Tag Sorge zu tragen, daß alles in Frieden seinen geordneten Gang gehe in der großen Familie.

Die Schule steht unter der tüchtigen Leitung der Oberlehrerin Frl. Emma A. Kähler und die Prüfung der Schule bewies genügend, daß die Kinder recht gute Fortschritte machten, und daß eine zu schätzende Disciplin herrscht, denn das Betragen der Schüler war musterhaft. Frl. Rosa Weegman hat den Kindergarten unter ihrer Aufsicht und ihre Sorgfalt und Geschick erweisen sich auch als mit gutem Erfolge gekrönt, welches sich sowohl in dem Schulunterricht, als auch bei unseren öffentlichen Gelegenheiten wie bei Festen zeigt.

Ernst T. Kretschmann und Carl W. Jeffries besuchen das theologische Seminar und William T. Kretschmann studiert in der Universität von Pennsylvanien, West Philadelphia. Es macht dem Verwaltungsrath viele Freude, von diesen früheren Zöglingen des Waisenhauses Berichte ihres guten Betragens, Fleißes und Fortschrittes in ihren Studien zu empfangen.

Seit der Gründung haben 551 Waisenkinder hier ein Heim gefunden.

II. Die Alten-Heimath (Asyl).

Auch im Asyl, der Heimath der Alten, Betagten und Gebrechlichen, waltet die gütige Hand Gottes und ward auch dieser Teil reichlich gesegnet. Unter der tüchtigen Verwaltung der Frau Julie Riedt, welche geduldig und treu und mit gutem Takt und christlicher Nachsicht ihre Pflichten erfüllt, gedeiht auch das Asyl und bleibt uns in kräftigem und erfreulichem Zustand erhalten. Eine specielle Committee sorgt für die geistlichen Bedürfnisse. In der schönen Kapelle werden mit den Alten die Gottesdienste gehalten. Es kamen 2 Todesfälle im Asyl vor. Herr Friedrich Welte starb in hohem Alter am 2. Juni a. D. 1887 und desgleichen am 12. September a. D. 1887 Frau Agnes Stotz.

Es waren in der Alten-Heimath am 1. April 1887 7 Männer und 24 Frauen, im Ganzen	31
Aufgenommen wurden während des Jahres 3 Frauen	3
	34
Todesfälle waren es 1 Mann und 1 Frau	2
Verbleiben also 6 Männer und 26 Frauen, im Ganzen	32

Also 1 mehr als beim letzten Bericht.

Es haben also 105 ein Heim hier seit der Gründung gefunden.

III. Unsere Mitarbeiter.

Die werthen Frauen (Besucherinnen) der verschiedenen lutherischen Gemeinden Philadelphias und der Nachbarschaft besuchen regelmäßig die Anstalten (Waisenhaus und Asyl), sehen darauf, daß Alt und Jung die nöthige Fürsorge und Pflege erhalten und daß alles, was nöthig und der Anstalt beförderlich ist, angeschafft wird.

Sie laden ihre Freunde und andere ein, die Anstalt zu besuchen und begleiten dieselben bei den Besuchen, und wir bezeugen ihre eifrige Theilnahme

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am Wohlgedeihen der Anstalt. Gottes Segen fließt auch reichlich auf ihre Arbeit.

Eine der Besucherinnen, Frau Katharina Heim, ein Glied der englisch-lutherischen St. Lukas-Gemeinde, und viele Jahre eine treue Freundin der Anstalt, hat der Herr seit dem letzten Jahr zur ewigen Heimath abgerufen. Ihr Andenken bleibe im Segen.

Herr Paul P. Keller, seit vielen Jahren ein Glied des Verwaltungsrathes und zwei Jahre lang Secretär desselben, stets bereit, dem Wohl der Anstalt förderlich zu sein, treu und gerne seine Pflichten erfüllend und sich stets freuend, am Erfolge irgend eines Unternehmens zum Besten des Waisenhauses und Alten-Heims, war noch in unserer Mitte, verlas den Bericht bei der Jahresfeier im Jahre 1887, und war zugegen und thätig noch am Gabentag des nämlichen Jahres, aber nur etliche Tage nachher, am 2. Juni 1887, hat ihn der Herr aus unserer Mitte zur ewigen Heimath abgerufen; wir betrauern den Verlust und werden stets an ihn mit Achtung gedenken.

Dr. J. R. Shellenberger hat auch im verflossenen Jahre sehr werthvolle und unentgeltliche Dienste in beiden Anstalten geleistet. Er verdient unseren besten Dank.

Die Dienstzeit von 2 Gliedern des Verwaltungsrathes, die des Herrn Heinrich Lehman und des Herrn Georg M. Kinsler ist mit dieser Synodal-Sitzung abgelaufen. Eine Neuwahl ist vorzunehmen.

Herzlichsten Dank allen den Freunden in Stadt und Land, welche unsere Anstalten mit ihren Geschenken in Geld und in Waaren unterstützt haben. Der Herr vergelte es Allen.

Der Gabentag, welcher am 17. Mai 1888 abgehalten wurde, war wieder ein erfreuliches Ereigniß. Vom lieben Vater im Himmel mit dem schönsten Wetter bescheert, und von den Freunden von Nah und Fern mit zahlreichem Besuche beehrt, gestaltete sich derselbe zu einem recht freudigen christlichen Volksfest, wo Freundschaft gegenseitig gepflegt wird und an welchem die Wohlthätigkeit perlet. Die werthen Frauen, unter deren Aufsicht dieser Freudentag steht, hatten sich viele, sehr viele Mühe geben, und das gerne, und sie wurden erfreut mit dem Erfolg ihrer Arbeit. Herzlichsten Dank allen den Mitarbeiterinnen und den fröhlichen Gebern, und möge der Gabentag von Jahr zu Jahr immer mehr Theilnahme finden.

Der liebe Gott segne auf ferner unser Waisenhaus und Asyl.

H. Lehman, Präs.	**W J. Mann, D. D.**
R. B. Miller, Englischer Secr.	**A. Späth, D. D.**
F. Wischan, Deutscher Secr.	**J. P. Deck.**
J. C. File, Schatzmeister.	**G. M. Kinsler.**
	J. P. Bender.
	Wm. H. Staake, Esq.

Sodann verlas Herr Lehman auch den

Schatzmeisters-Bericht

des Waisenhauses und der Alten-Heimat für Alte und Gebrechliche der Evang.-Luth. Kirche in Germantown, Pa., vom 17. April 1887 bis 7. April 1888.

Das zinsbringende Kapital ist, wie folgt

Geschenk von dem verstorbenen Herrn Lewis Bremer, Philadelphia.....		$ 1000 00
" " " " "	J. M. Pleis sen., Philadelphia.....	1000 00
" " " " "	J. M. Pleis, Philadelphia.....	1000 00
	Uebertrag	$3000 00

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Vortrag	$ 3000 00
Geschenk des Herrn Jno. L. Bremer (Hypothek)	5000 00
Vermächtniß der verstorbenen Frau Judith Graff, Philadelphia	200 00
Eine Deposit (früher ein Ver. St. Bond)	300 00
Note für Geld, von welchem die Anstalt den Zins bekommt	2800 00
Vermächtniß von dem verst. Herrn Geo. W. Grove, Phila	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes in Pennsylvanien	500 00
„ „ „ „ Philadelphia	100 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Christina Schweigert	50 00
„ von Frl. Elisabeth Rodmann Fischer	100 00
„ „ „ Rebecca Jungkurth	100 00
„ des verst. Herrn Jesse George, Philadelphia	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes	200 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Rachel Stewart	100 00
„ des „ Herrn Benj. D. Barton	300 00
„ der „ Frau Catharina Nixon	500 00
„ des „ Chas. M. Eckert	400 00
„ der „ Anna Idell	100 00
„ des „ James Monroe, Philadelphia	1000 00
„ „ „ Johann Heinrich Oestreicher	25 00
„ „ „ Christian Würtemberger	25 00
„ „ „ Herrn Peter Seeger, Philadelphia	5000 00
„ der „ Margaretha Schlotterer	25 00
„ des „ Lewis Beck	2000 00
„ „ „ Geo. W. Tryon	100 00
	22,925 00

Vom Vermächtniß des verstorbenen Lewis D. Beck war die Bedingung, daß die Summe für den Asyl-Bau benutzt werden sollte, welches auch geschah 2000 00

Bleibt $20,925 00

Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn Abraham Scheidt, Phila	1000 00
„ der „ Frau Cath. Wolf, Wittwe von John Wolf	200 00
„ der „ Frau C. Laib $250 weniger Erbsteuer	237 50
„ „ „ „ Johanna Holdermann, Norristown, Pa	50 00
„ des „ Herrn John Meßerschmidt, Reading, Pa	300 00
Geschenk von Herrn Luther P. Keller, Phila	100 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn Jno. E. Fox, Phila., $3000 und Zinsen weniger Erbsteuer	2857 50
Vermächtniß des Herrn Wm. Freas, Barren Hill, $100 weniger Erbsteuer	95 00
„ der verst. Frau Elisabeth Schneider, Phila	100 00
Geschenk von Frau Mary A. Colladay, Phila	300 00
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Frau C. McLaughlin	25 00
Vermächtniß von dem verst. John Seffert, Phila., $500 weniger Erbsteuer	475 00
Zusage des Obergerichts in dem Fall des Gaßman Vermögens	462 00
Vermächtniß des verst. J. P. Sanner, Frackville, mit Zinsen weniger Erbsteuer	191 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn E. Jonathan Deininger, Reading	250 00
„ der „ Isabella D. King, Frederick Co., Md	579 35
Durch die Herren Wm. L. Schaffer und John Walsh, Trustee eines speciellen Fonds	415 75
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage der verst. Frau Frederick Mannal	100 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Mary A. Warner, Columbus, Ohio, durch Herrn Lewis Heyl	1000 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Mary Bockins	150 00
Schlußzusage des Obergerichts in dem Gaßman'schen Vermögen	328 00
Von dem Vermächtniß des verst. Ehrw. C. F. Heyer durch Ehrw. Dr.	
Uebertrag	$30,141 10

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Vortrag	$30,141 10
Paſſavant	150 00
Vermächtniß der verſt. Lydia Benner, Norristown, Pa., $1500 weniger Erbſteuer	1428 75
Von dem Verkauf von Ehrw. Dr. W. J. Manns Buch „Heilsbotſchaft“	601 65
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Frau Maria M. Knecht, (Andenkensgabe)	100 00
Vermächtniß von Dorothea Hawk $100, weniger Erbſteuer	95 00
Zuſatz zum Vermächtniß vom verſt. Wm. Freas, Erbſteuer zurückerſtattet durch die Executoren Jeſſe Freas und Wm. Creßman	5 00
Geſchenk von Herrn John Kuntz, Phila., Bond der Pa. Canal Co. @	1000 00
Andenken geſtiftet von Theodor C. Engel, Phila., (für ſich und ſeine Geſchwiſter) als Andenken an deren liebe Mutter, die verſt. Frau Cath. J. Engel, Phila., eine der Lady Viſitors	1000 00
Vermächtniß von Jno. B. Meckert	10 00

Es wurden im vergangenen Jahre zugefügt:

Das Vermächtniß der verſtorbenen Frau Katharina M. Bremer, Phila., eine der Frauen Beſuchenden	2000 00
Das Vermächtniß des verſt. Caspar Heft	1000 00
„ „ der „ Frau Henriette Sacks $200, weniger Erbſteuer	190 00
„ „ des „ John Pflugfelder $100, weniger Erbſteuer	95 00
„ „ der „ Maria Anna Stiefel $100, weniger Erbſteuer	95 00
„ „ „ „ Frau Lydia Benner (für das Aſyl) $500, weniger Unkoſten	466 81
Das Vermächtniß der verſt. Friederike Goettel	100 00
	38,478 88

Dazu Vermächtniß der verſt. Mary Eſher 5 shares Penna R. Road stock.

Einkünfte vom 17. April 1887 bis 7. April 1888.

Collecte bei der Jahresfeier in der Zions-Kirche, Phila., Ehrw. Paſtor J. E. Nidecker am 17. April 1887	60 25
Erhalten von Kirchen und kirchlichen Geſellſchaften und Vereinen	2400 18
„ „ Sonntagſchulen	1150 48
Sammlungen durch die Lady Viſitors, Verwaltungsrathsglieder, Superintendenten und Schatzmeiſter	656 86
Von der Young Peoples Lutheran Association, Phila., Antheil am Erlös einer Abendunterhaltung	141 58
Inhalt der Gabenkäſtchen im Waiſenhaus und Aſyl und für Waiſenarbeit	21 91
Von kleinen Gebern	15 20
Geſchenk für die 4. Juli Feier	25 00
Chriſtfeſt-Collecte am 27. Dez. A.D. 1887 im Waiſenhaus	103 70
Specielle Gabe zur Erinnerung an die verſtorbene Frau Agnes Stotz	261 25
Oſtergabe zum Andenken an Lucie R. Evans, Pottstown	50 00
Bewilligung für das Aſyl von der Synode	50 00
Zinſen (1 Jahr) des Vermächtniſſes des verſtorbenen Herrn Carl F. Wernle durch die Truſtees der St. Johannis-Kirche in Phila	30 00
Zinſen an zinsbringenden Geldern und Anleihen	1720 00
Dankſagungstags-Gabe von Herrn John L. Bremer, Boſton	250 00
„ „ „ ſeinen Kindern	30 00

Reſultat des Gabentags:

Von Gemeinden und Kirchen	$1793 58	
„ individuellen Gebern	521 00	
Uebertrag	$2,314 58	$6,966 41

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Vortrag	$2,314 58	$6,966 41
Vom Verkauf von Gegenständen zum Verkaufen angefertigt und geschenkt	173 23	
Vom Verkauf von Ice Cream, Kuchen, Blumen 2c.	144 01	
„ Aufbewahren von Paketen 2c	2 80	
„ Verkauf von Limonade 2c.	22 06	
Von Supper Tickets und Geldern am Tische erhoben	625 75	
Vom Verkauf von Gegenständen von den Alten im Asyl bereitet	32 67	
		$3315 10
Summa		10,281 51

Ausgaben vom 17. April A.D. 1887 bis 7. April A.D. 1888.

Für Gehalte	1418 00
„ Lohn inclusive Hausreinigung, Waschen 2c.	1403 14
„ Milch	821 52
„ Fleisch	804 84
„ Grocerien	703 19
„ Lebensmittel	1170 52
„ Brod	698 97
„ Möbel	46 25
„ Gas und anderes Licht	205 65
„ Reparaturen	522 55
„ Schulzwecke	163 18
„ Kleider und Schuhe	458 95
„ Leichenbestattungsausgaben (das meiste geschenkt)	13 58
„ Arzneien	75 87
„ Frachtkosten an Geschenken und anderem	192 57
„ Auslagen an der Farm und am Garten	97 07
„ den Fire Escape	409 50
„ Kohlen	780 06
„ Erbsteuer am Vermächtniß von Mary Esher	12 50
„ Specielle Reparaturen	199 50
„ Druckkosten, Berichte 2c.	21 00
	10,218 41

Recapitulation.

Bilanz in der Kasse am 17. April 1887	$ 22 95	
Einkünfte	10,281 51	
	10,304 46	
Ausgaben	10,218 41	
Bilanz am 7. April A.D. 1888	86 05	

Hochachtungsvoll

J. C. File.

Herr Lehman erhielt ferner Erlaubniß, der Synode das Interesse des Waisenhauses und der Alten-Heimat vorzutragen.

Die beiden von ihm verlesenen Berichte wurden angenommen.

Herr H. Lehman, dessen Dienstzeit abgelaufen war, wurde wieder erwählt. An Stelle des Herrn G. M. Kinsler, welcher eine Wiedererwählung ablehnte, wurde Herr H. S. Cassel gewählt.

Der ehrw. Präsident der Synode wurde beauftragt, Herrn Kinsler unser Bedauern darüber auszusprechen, daß er sich wegen vorgerückten Alters bewo-

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gen fühlt, eine Wiedererwählung abzulehnen, ihm auch zugleich den herzlichen Dank und die Anerkennung dieses Körpers für seine treuen Dienste in der Ausrichtung seines Amtes auszudrücken.

Dr. J. A. Seiß verlas den Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil. Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und Dienstag Vorm. 10 Uhr als Zeit für die Berathung des Berichtes bestimmt. (Siehe den Bericht und die Verhandlungen in der neunten Sitzung.)

Dr. A. Späth verlas den

Bericht des Delegaten an das New York-Ministerium.

Der Unterzeichnete besuchte die dreiundneunzigste Versammlung des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von New York und angrenzenden Staaten und Ländern, welche vom 16. bis 21. Juni 1887 in der Zions-Kirche zu Rochester gehalten wurde.

Das Ministerium zählt nach dem letzten Protocoll 94 Pastoren, 78 Gemeinden und gegen 30,000 Communicanten. Für Synodal-Zwecke wurden im letzten Jahre $2781.70 verausgabt, für Missionen des General-Concils $6831.67. Das Ministerium unterstützte 8 Studenten, 1 im Mühlenberg-College, Allentown, und 7 im Seminar zu Philadelphia. Als Gegenstand der Lehrbesprechung für die nächste Versammlung wurde bestimmt: „Die Rechtfertigung durch den Glauben allein ohne Werke."

Die nächste Versammlung findet Statt am Donnerstag nach dem ersten Trinitatis-Sonntag zu Rondout, N. Y.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

A. Späth.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und Dr. A. Späth als Delegat an diesen Körper wieder ernannt.

Herr Dr. Mann verlas den

Bericht des Archivars.

Hochwürdiger Herr Präsident!

Am Schlusse des Synodaljahres erlaubt sich der Unterzeichnete betreffend des ihm anvertrauten Archivs des Ministeriums Folgendes zu berichten:

Auch in diesem Jahre wurden dem Archive von verschiedenen Seiten theils Drucksachen, theils Manuscripte zugewiesen, welche in demselben deponirt sind. Herr Rechts-Consulent J. A. Wiedersheim sandte unter dem 4. Juni 1887 zwei Pamphlete, von denen das eine die bei der Confirmation am Palmsonntag 1832, das andere die bei der Installation des ehrw. Pastors Em. Engelbert Peixoto am 5. Januar 1835 in der Zions-Kirche zu Philadelphia gesungenen Lieder enthält. Ehrw. Herr Pastor J. M. Early, engl. Secretär des Ministeriums, sandte mir theils unter dem 1. Juli, theils unter dem 22. Nov. 1887, theils unter dem 31. Januar 1888 Briefe, Committee-Berichte und andere Documente, auch Drucksachen, welche sich theils auf die Synodalverhandlungen von 1885, 1886 und 1887 beziehen, theils als Beiträge zur Geschichte der Verfassung dieses Ministeriums zu betrachten sind; ebenfalls kam mir durch denselben ehrw. Bruder zu das Manuscript des Synodalberichtes des Hochw. Präsidenten vom Jahr 1887 und das Buch der Verhandlungen der fünften Districts-Conferenz vom Jahre 1838 bis Mai 1870.

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Am 16. Mai 1888 wurden mir noch von dem ehrw. L. Lindenstruth, deutschem Secretär des Ministeriums, folgende Manuscripte zugesandt:

Das Manuscript, in deutsch und ohne Datum, der Verfassung der evang.-luth. Gemeinde zu Cramer Hill bei Camden, N. J.

Das Aufnahmegesuch der evang.-luth. Slowaken-Gemeinde zu Freeland, Luzerne County, Pa., und die Verfassung der Gemeinde; dies in deutsch. Beigefügt ist in englisch das an die Court of Common Pleas von Luzerne County, Pa., von derselben Gemeinde gestellte Gesuch um einen Freibrief. Auch diese Documente ohne Datum.

Am 10. Oct. 1887 übergab mir der ehrw. Pastor B. M. Schmucker DD., die von ihm verfaßte biographische Skizze des am 30. Oct. 1801 geb. und am 29. Aug. 1887 im Herrn entschlafenen ehrw. Pastor Heinrich Seipel Miller, welcher vierundsechzig Jahre hindurch Glied dieses Ministeriums gewesen war.

Alle diese Manuscripte und Drucksachen dem Archive einverleibt zu haben bezeugt hiermit Hochachtungsvoll,

W. J. Mann, Archivarius.

Lancaster, Pa., den 26. Mai 1888.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und Dr. W. J. Mann als Archivar wieder ernannt.

Die Committee über Lebensbeschreibung verstorbener Glieder berichtete betreffs der Biographieen der verstorbenen Pastoren H. S. Miller, T. T. Jäger und J. F. Bayer. Die bisherige Committee wurde wieder ernannt, mit Ausnahme des ehrw. J. R. Groff, der aus dem Gebiet unserer Synode gezogen ist. An dessen Stelle wurde Pastor S. E. Ochsenford ernannt.

Da die Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit noch nicht bereit war, ihren Bericht vorzulegen, unterbreitete Pastor F. J. F. Schantz den

Bericht der Committee zum Besuch des Emmaus-Waisenhauses.

Ihre Committee hat zu berichten, daß sie im letzten Jahr dem Waisenhaus keinen Besuch abgestattet hat.

Wir bedauern, der Synode von dem Tode der Frau Laumann, der Gattin des Herrn Laumann, und von der Krankheit des Letzteren Mittheilung machen zu müssen.

Es wird die Synode gebeten, eine Committee wieder zu ernennen, diese Anstalt im Synodaljahr 1888 bis 1889 zu besuchen.

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt.

Dr. A. Späth machte einige mündliche Mittheilungen über das Diaconissenwerk in Philadelphia und es wurde ihm gestattet, die Hauptpunkte in schriftlicher Form zu Protocoll zu geben, wie folgt:

Die Diaconissen-Anstalt in Philadelphia.

Das verflossene Jahr ist für diese junge Anstalt ein sehr wichtiges, aber auch in mancher Hinsicht schwieriges und sorgenvolles gewesen. Am 30. Nov. starb die Oberin Marie Krüger, welche die ersten sechs Schwestern im Jahr 1884 von Iserlohn herübergebracht hatte. Man mußte sich nun das letzte halbe Jahr hindurch mit einem Provisorium behelfen, unter welchem das Werk natürlich nicht erstarken und sich weiter ausbreiten konnte.

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Indessen schreitet der prachtvolle Bau, welchen die Munificenz des Herrn John D. Lankenau für das Mary J. Drexel-Home und Philadelphia-Mutterhaus für Diaconissen errichten läßt, rasch seiner Vollendung entgegen und wird wohl noch vor Ablauf dieses Jahres fertig dastehen, eine Zierde für die Stadt der Bruderliebe, das schönste und großartigste Gebäude, das je für die Zwecke der Diaconie errichtet worden ist; sei es in der alten oder in der neuen Welt.

Am 20. Oktober 1887 wurde ein Charter für die Anstalt angenommen und dieselbe nach den Gesetzen des Staates incorporirt unter dem Namen: „Mary J. Drexel-Home und Philadelphia Diaconissen-Mutterhaus." Die Hauptpunkte des Charters sind folgende:

Die Corporation ist zu folgenden Zwecken gebildet:

1. Eine Heimat zu gründen, zu erhalten und zu leiten zur Aufnahme und Unterstützung wohl empfohlener, wohl gesitteter, nüchterner und anständiger alter Paare, oder einzelner alter Männer und Frauen, deutscher Abkunft, die an keiner ansteckenden Krankheit leiden.

2. Ein Mutterhaus zu gründen, zu erhalten und zu leiten, d. h. eine Anstalt zur Erhaltung und religiösen Erziehung von Diaconissen, welche Glieder der luth. Kirche sein sollen, im Einklang mit Glauben, Lehre, Ordnung und Brauch des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten, und

3. Alles auszuführen und zu verwalten, was ihnen für die eine oder für beide Anstalten anvertraut wird.

Diese Corporation soll in der Stadt Philadelphia seßhaft sein und die obengenannten Zwecke in dieser Stadt verfolgen.

Die besagte Corporation soll für immer existiren.

Die Namen ihrer Glieder sind, wie folgt: John D. Lankenau, Dr. W. J. Mann, Dr. A. Späth, Pastor F. Wischan, Pastor H. Grahn, Consul Chas. H. Meyer, Herr J. C. File, C. A. Schwarz und J. Henry Tilge.

Die Corporation soll durch einen Verwaltungsrath von neun Gliedern (Trustees or Managers) geleitet werden, zu denen sämmtliche Corporatoren gehören sollen. Alle Glieder dieses Verwaltungsrathes sollen dem Glauben der luth. Kirche angehören und wenigstens vier derselben sollen Pastoren der luth. Kirche sein, anerkannt von dem evang.-luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und umliegenden Staaten. Drei Glieder des Verwaltungsrathes sollen auch Glieder des Verwaltungsrathes des deutschen Hospitals der Stadt Philadelphia sein; im Fall eine Stelle in diesem Verwaltungsrath erledigt wird, sollen die übrigen Glieder innerhalb eines schicklichen Zeitraums daran gehen, eine passende Person an die Stelle des Abgehenden zu erwählen.

An die Stelle der verstorbenen Oberin wurde Fräulein Wanda von Oertzen aus Mecklenburg-Schwerin berufen; dieselbe ist am 25. Mai in Philadelphia eingetroffen und hat sofort ihr verantwortungsvolles Amt übernommen, zu dem sie in hohem Grade fähig erscheint.

Ferner wurde in der Person des Herrn Pastor A. Cordes aus Sachsen ein Inspector für die Diaconissen-Anstalt gewonnen, der seine ganze Kraft und Zeit diesem für unsere Kirche so wichtigen Werke widmen wird. Derselbe wird erst im August hier eintreffen und gedenkt, sich unserem Ministerium anzuschließen.

Diese neugewonnenen Kräfte, welche für den Erfolg des Diaconissenwerkes von so hoher Wichtigkeit sind, berechtigen uns zu der Erwartung, daß diese heilige Sache einen gedeihlichen Fortgang nehmen werde. Dazu ist aber

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unbedingt nöthig, daß unsere Pastoren und Gemeindeglieder einen lebendigen Antheil daran nehmen und daß aus unsern Kreisen tüchtige Kräfte zum Eintritt als Probeschwestern gewonnen werden.

Es wäre sehr zu wünschen, daß in irgend einer schriftlichen Form dafür gesorgt würde, daß dieses Ministerium regelmäßig bei seinen jährlichen Versammlungen über den Stand der Diaconissensache Bericht empfangen würde.

Hierauf wurde

Beschlossen, daß wir hiemit unsere dankbare Anerkennung aussprechen über den Fortschritt, der durch die Gründung eines Mutterhauses für Diaconissen in der Stadt Philadelphia gemacht worden ist; und da wir die Wichtigkeit des Werkes erkennen, das man dadurch zu befördern sucht und auch dasselbe zu befördern wünschen, so wird es uns freuen, von Zeit zu Zeit solche Berichte über dieses Werk und diese Anstalt zu empfangen, wie sie der Verwaltungsrath zu geben wünschenswerth erachten mag.

Die Committee über den Bericht des Schatzmeisters berichtete, daß sie den Bericht mit den dazu gehörenden Papieren geprüft und in Richtigkeit gefunden habe.

Achtungsvoll

G. D. Bernheim. John G. Hauser.
D. M. Henkel. C. L. Barron.
J. W. Haßler. H. J. Tiexler.
W. Hauff.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Dr. Sadtler.

Sechste Sitzung.

Montag, den 28. Mai, Vorm. 9 Uhr.

Pastor F. Berkemeyer leitete die Eröffnungs-Andacht.

Nachdem das Protocoll der fünften Sitzung verlesen und angenommen war, verlas Dr. G. A. Hinterleitner folgenden Bericht:

Die zur Durchsicht der Rechnung des Präsidenten ernannte Committee berichtet achtungsvoll, daß sie dieselbe mit den Bescheinigungen verglichen und in Richtigkeit gefunden hat.

G. A. Hinterleitner.
W. G. Laitzle.
J. Kohler.

Der Bericht der Publications-Committee wurde verlesen und angenommen. Derselbe lautet, wie folgt:

Bericht der Publications-Committee.

An das ehrw. ev.-luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien.

Geehrte und werthe Herren!

Es waren laut letztem Bericht von

English Church Book vorräthig.....	in Bogen	230
Es wurden diesem Vorrath zugefügt.....	„	5950

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Von Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus war der Vorrath genügend.

Vom deutschen Gesangbuch, bekannt als das Wollenweber-Gesangbuch, mußten von beiden Formaten gedruckt werden, vom großen Format 2400 und vom kleinen 3250.

Der Beschluß des Ministeriums, den Druck der revidirten Constitution in deutscher und englischer Sprache zu besorgen, wurde ausgeführt und beide zusammengeheftet, da es viel practischer erachtet wurde und der Preis, à 20 Cts., immerhin als billig genug erscheint. Eine Anzahl Exemplare sind vom Schatzmeister der Committee zu der Sitzung befördert worden, so daß Jeder sich damit versehen kann.

Werth des jetzigen Vorraths.

I.	English Church Book	$230.16
II.	Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus	5.25
III.	Deutsches Gesangbuch	818.78
IV.	Constitution und Regeln des Ministeriums	136.50
	Summa	$1190.69

Bericht des Schatzmeisters der Publications-Committee des Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien.

I. English Church Book.

Bogen an Hand laut letztem Bericht	230
Es wurden zugefügt	5950
	6180
Verkauft wurden	4500
Vorrath	1680
Vom Verkauf von 4500 waren die Einkünfte	$1350.00
Die Druckkosten von 5950 waren	815.16
An den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt	$534.84

II. Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus.

Bogen an Hand laut letztem Bericht	1200
Verkauft	1000
Vorrath	200
Einkünfte der verkauften 1000 Bogen	$50.00
An den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt	$50.00

III. Deutsches Gesangbuch, bekannt als Wollenweber-Gesangbuch.

	16mo. Groß-Format.	32mo. Klein-Format.
Letzter Bericht: In Bogen	671	3180
Gedruckt	2400	3250
	3074	6430
Verkauft in Bogen	367	1750
	2707	4680
Gebunden	1559	2902
Vorrath	1148 in Bogen	1778

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	Gebunden 16mo.	32mo.
Letzter Bericht	349	1667
Zusatz	1559	2902
	1908	4569
Verkauft	1576	3016
	332	1553

Einkünfte für 367 Bogen 16mo., 1750 Bogen 32mo., gebunden 1576 der 16mo. und 3016 der 32mo. $3352.03
Ausbezahlt für Druckkosten der 2400 Groß-Format und 3250 Klein-Format, Binden der 1559 Groß-Format und 2902 Klein-Format, Collatiren ꝛc. 1362.73

An den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt $1989.30

IV. Constitution, Nebengesetze und Regeln des ev.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien.

Ausgaben: Deutsche Ausgabe, Satz, Electrotype und Drucken von 250 Exemplaren. $69.75
Englische Ausgabe, (Satz letztes Jahr bezahlt), Electrotype und Platten-Box 23.73
Deutsche und englische Gesammt-Ausgabe, Drucken von 1000 Stück 60.00
$153.48
Erlös vom Verkauf von 90 Stück 18.00

Vorrath ..... 910 Stück. Defizit $135.48

Also Bezahlungen an den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums für
I. English Church Book $534.84
II. Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus 50.00
III. Deutsches Gesangbuch 1989.30
$2574.14
Ab IV. Deficit des Contos der Constitution 135.48

In Summa an den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt $2438.66

Achtungsvoll

Jno. C. File, Schatzmeister der Committee.

Die Publications-Committee wurde wieder ernannt.

Pastor E. A. Bauer verlas folgenden

Bericht der Committee über Aufnahme von Gemeinden.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich zu berichten, daß zwei Gemeinden um Aufnahme in die Synode nachgesucht haben, nämlich:

1. Die Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde zu Steelton, Dauphin Co. Da diese Gemeinde die von dem General-Conzil empfohlene Constitution angenommen hat, empfiehlt die Committee deren Aufnahme.

2. Die *Church of the Nativity* zu Philadelphia, — auch diese Gemeinde hat die vom General-Concil empfohlene Constitution angenommen und wird deren Aufnahme von der Committee ebenfalls empfohlen.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

E. A. Bauer,
J. Gruhler,
F. Berkemeyer,
E. L. Reed,
R. K. Bührle.

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Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen, die Aufnahme der genannten Gemeinden in die Synode durch Abstimmung über jede einzelne beschlossen und dann der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Pastor J. H. Neiman verlas den

Bericht über die Verhandlungen der Conferenzen.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich, Folgendes zu berichten:

I. Versammlungen.

Sämmtliche Conferenzen hielten im vergangenen Jahre ihre halbjährigen Versammlungen.

II. Das neue Seminar.

Die Conferenzen beriethen über das neue Seminar-Gebäude und haben die mit ihren Beiträgen noch im Rückstand befindlichen Pastoren ernstlich ersucht, dieselben im vollen Umfange zu collectiren und an den Agenten für dieses so wichtige Werk baldmöglichst abzuführen.

III. Mühlenberg-College.

Einige der Conferenzen beschlossen, vor dem 1. März 1889 in ihren Gemeinden zur geeigneten Zeit besondere Gottesdienste, verbunden mit einer Collecte zu Gunsten der Schuldentilgung vom Mühlenberg-College anzuordnen.

Andere Angelegenheiten sind nicht von der Synode an die Conferenzen verwiesen worden, und die Protocolle der letzteren enthalten auch keinen von den Conferenzen an die Synode verwiesenen Punkt, welcher durch Ihre Committee an diesen ehrw. Körper zu berichten wäre.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet von

J. L. Becker,
J. H. Kuder,
J. K. S. Erb,
H. K. Fegley,
J. H. Neiman.

Ueber die im Bericht erwähnte Einzahlung der Beiträge für den Seminar-Bau wurde

Beschlossen: Daß die Beschleunigung der Sammlung der Beiträge für das neue Seminar wiederum an die Konferenzen verwiesen werde und dieselben hiemit beauftragt seien, mit allem möglichen Fleiß und Ernst die baldige Einzahlung der besagten Beiträge zu bewirken.

Hierauf wurde der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Pastor H. Grahn verlas ein Gesuch vom Pastoral-Verein von Philadelphia um Herausgabe, durch die Synode, von kurzen und erbaulichen Traktaten. Das Gesuch wurde an eine Committee verwiesen, bestehend aus der Facultät und den Pastoren J. A. Seiß D. D. und H. Grahn. (Siehe deren Bericht in der neunten Sitzung.)

Es wurde hierauf

Beschlossen, daß die Executiv-Committee hiemit beauftragt sei, jedem der Synodal-Beamten, sowie auch dem Secretär der Executiv-Committee, fünfzig Thaler das Jahr zur Deckung ihrer nöthigen Amtsausgaben zu zahlen.

Beschlossen, daß jedem Delegaten zum General-Concil dieses Jahr die Summe von 25 Thalern aus der Kasse der Synode bezahlt werden soll, zur theilweisen Deckung der Reisekosten.

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Beschlossen, daß die Publications-Committee beauftragt sei, die revidirte Constitution separat in deutscher wie auch in englischer Sprache, sowie stark gebundene Exemplare derselben herstellen zu lassen.

Hierauf Vertagung. Gebet von Pastor F. Walz.

Siebente Sitzung.

Montag, den 28. Mai, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Der ehrw. L. Groh leitete die Andacht. Die Verhandlungen der sechsten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen. Hierauf wurde der Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht verlesen und zur Berathung entgegengenommen.

Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht.

Die Committee über den Bericht des Präsidenten empfiehlt achtungsvoll die Annahme folgender Punkte.

I. Beschlossen, daß wir wegen dem Hingange unserer Brüder, Ehrw. Heinrich S. Miller und Thomas T. Jäger nicht allein unser tiefes Bedauern aussprechen, sondern auch zugleich Zeugniß davon ablegen, daß sie während so vieler, ihre ganze geistliche Amtsthätigkeit umfassenden Jahre, dem Ministerium und ihren Gemeinden mit Ernst und Treue gedient haben.

II. Da der Präsident die Aufmerksamkeit des Ministeriums auf die große Unordnung und Unregelmäßigkeit lenkt, welche seither in den Berichten einzelner Pastoren über ihre Resignationen und Annahme neuer Berufungen stattgefunden hat, so erinnern wir an §§ 8 und 9 in Cap. VIII unserer Constitution, nach welchen jeder Pastor verbunden ist, dem Präsidenten des Ministeriums von jedem von ihm gemachten Stellenwechsel pünktlichen Bericht zu erstatten, und ersuchen, daß in solchen Berichten auch stets genaue Daten gegeben werden, indem sonst das Aufsichtsamt nothwendiger Weise erschwert und gehindert werden muß.

III. Daß die Bitte des Pastors Joh. Witke, welcher gegenwärtig die nicht in unserem synodalen Verbande stehende deutsche ev.-luth. St. Lukas-Gemeinde in Baltimore bedient, erfüllt werde, wonach ihm bis auf Weiteres gestattet wird, in der gliedlichen Verbindung mit unserem Ministerium zu verbleiben.

IV. Daß die plötzliche Amtsniederlegung des Pastors J. N. Shoffner an der St. Johannes-Kirche in Columbia ohne vorher eingesandte Resignation an die Gemeinde oder Anzeige an die Beamten der Synode oder der Conferenz als eine Verletzung unserer Kirchenordnung eine genaue Untersuchung und Beschlußnahme seitens der IV. Districtsconferenz erheischt, wie solches im X. Cap. unserer Constitution vorgeschrieben ist.

V. Da die Ecksteinlegung einer und die Einweihung mehrerer gemeinschaftlichen Kirchen berichtet worden sind, erscheint es nothwendig, die Aufmerksamkeit dieses ehrw. Körpers auf die Thatsache zu lenken, daß in der Vergangenheit wiederholt von allen solchen gemeinschaftlichen Eigenthumsrechten an Gotteshäusern, wodurch irgend eine unserer Gemeinden an der Ausübung ihrer Gottesdienste oder Abhaltung ihrer eigenen Sonntagschule zu irgend welcher Stunde des Sonntags gehindert wird, abgerathen wurde; und

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Daß wir hoffen, jede Gemeinde werde nun solche Vorkehrungen treffen, daß sie alleinige Eigenthümerin ihrer Kirche werde, um jeden Sonntag Gottesdienst halten und die Erziehung ihrer Kinder in dem Bekenntniß der lutherischen Kirche, gleichviel ob in der Sonntagschule oder auf eine andere Weise, vornehmen zu können, ohne durch die Rechtsansprüche Anderer darin beeinträchtigt zu werden.

VI. Das generöse Vermächtniß der Frl. Elise Yost in Spring City, Pa., an unser Ministerium für Zwecke der Ausbreitung unserer Kirche, Wohlthätigkeit, Erziehung, innere und äußere Mission und Waisenhaus verdient besondere Anerkennung.

Mit innigem Dank gegen Gott, welcher das Herz Seiner Dienerin lenkte, die dringenden Bedürfnisse unserer Kirche zu befriedigen, empfehlen wir ihr Beispiel zu Nachahmung jenen unserer Leute, welche mit irdischen Gütern gesegnet, gleichermaßen reichlich Gelegenheit fänden, solche zur Förderung der Reichsgottessache darzubringen.

Wir schlagen vor, daß unsere Pastoren ihren Gemeindegliedern diese Zwecke beständig in Erinnerung bringen.

VII. Die Bittschrift des Alumni-Vereins vom Mühlenberg-Collegium um Vertretung in dem Verwaltungsrathe der Anstalt erscheint als ein von unseren amerikanischen Instituten angenommener Plan, wonach die Alumni unmittelbar in schon vorher bestimmten Verhältnissen einen gewissen Theil der Mitglieder der Verwaltungsbehörde erwählen. Da dieses nothwendiger Weise eine vollständige Veränderung in der Organisation des Collegiums hervorrufen müßte, so empfehlen wir, daß die ganze Angelegenheit an die Verwaltungsbehörde der Anstalt, als an die stehende Committee unseres Ministeriums für alle solche Dinge verwiesen werde.

VIII. Wir stimmen entschieden den mahnenden und tadelnden Worten bei, durch welche der Präsident es für nöthig erachtet, den Mangel an Eintracht und den Zwiespalt wegen entgegengesetzter Interessen innerhalb des Ministeriums zu rügen. Wir bedauern auf's Tiefste, daß einzelne Glieder dieses Körpers ihre Unzufriedenheit mit den Anstalten und Beamten und Handlungen des Ministeriums oder dessen Vertretern in einem andern als brüderlichen Geiste und in einer dem Sinne unserer von uns allen unterschriebenen und zu beobachtenden Constitution widersprechenden Art und Weise kundgegeben haben. Wir beklagen von Herzen die Heftigkeit des Streites, die bittere Partheileidenschaft und die persönlichen Angriffe, welche schon so viele Jahre zur Schmach und Schande unserer Kirchenblätter in denselben geführt worden sind und von deren Schuld und Verantwortlichkeit wahrscheinlich keiner unter uns ganz frei ist, sei es in Folge thätiger Theilnahme daran, oder durch Stillschweigen in Fällen, wo es unsere Pflicht gewesen wäre, einzelne unserer Brüder gegen zugefügtes Unrecht zu schützen. Wir erkennen, daß diese vom Präsidenten berührten Uebelstände nunmehr als der Gipfelpunkt des Streites angesehen werden müssen, dessen Ueberschreitung nicht geduldet werden kann, wenn nicht das gegenseitige Vertrauen und die Einigkeit und das Zusammenwirken aller Brüder zur völligen Unmöglichkeit gemacht werden soll. Der Zeitpunkt ist gekommen, der uns nicht nur zur tiefsten Buße selbst, sondern auch zur Hervorbringung solcher Früchte der Buße auffordert, wodurch eine jede bittere Wurzel unter uns ausgerottet werde, ohne Rücksicht darauf zu nehmen, aus welcher Ursache sie aufgeschossen, oder wo immer sie zu finden sein möge.

IX. Weil aber die in Reading, Pa., erscheinende Monatsschrift „Kelle

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und Schwert" und sowohl unter Pastoren wie Laien vielfach verbreitet wird, insbesondere Aergernis gegeben hat durch die Aufnahme von Originalartikeln und Abdrücken aus in Deutschland erscheinenden Zeitungen die bedenkliche Anspielungen und schwere Beschuldigungen gegen gewisse Brüder unseres Ministeriums enthielten, mit Bitterkeit auch noch durch fortgesetzte Nummern sich kundthun und durch diese Angriffe nicht nur den Brüdern, auf die sie gerichtet sind, ein schweres Unrecht geschieht, sondern auch die Interessen schädigen, welche das Ministerium ihnen anvertraut hat; und in fernerer Berücksichtigung, daß der Präsident das Vergehen so schwer erachtet, daß er in seinem Bericht die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode darauf lenkt; so bleibt kein anderer Weg übrig, als von den Brüdern, die für die Herausgabe jenes Blattes veranwortlich sind, zu verlangen, ihr Unrecht einzugestehen und nach Kräften wieder gut zu machen, und zwar in so voller und öffentlicher Weise, wie die von ihnen in Umlauf gesetzten Artikel.

Die Annahme des ersten Punktes bezeugte der Körper durch Aufstehen.

Sodann wurde Punkt II und III angenommen.

Punkt IV wurde angenommen und zur weiteren Erwägung an die vierte Conferenz verwiesen.

Sodann wurden die Punkte V bis VIII angenommen.

Während der Besprechung von Punkt IX und ehe die Abstimmung stattfinden konnte, war die Stunde der Vertagung herbeigekommen.

Dr. T. L. Seip sprach das Gebet.

Achte Sitzung.

Montag, den 28. Mai, Abends ½8 Uhr.

Dr. J. A. Seiß sprach das Gebet. Nachdem das Protocoll der siebenten Sitzung verlesen und angenommen war, wurde die Besprechung des neunten Punktes im Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht fortgesetzt und schließlich der Punkt ebenfalls angenommen. Bei der Abstimmung über denselben wurde die Namenliste der Prediger und Delegaten verlesen und die Stimme jedes Einzelnen notirt. 132 Prediger und 26 Delegaten, zusammen 158, stimmten für die Annahme, 18 Prediger und 2 Delegaten, zusammen 20, stimmten gegen die Annahme; 10 Pastoren und 1 Laiendelegat ließen sich vom Stimmen entschuldigen.

Vertagt mit dem gemeinsam gesprochenen Gebet des Herrn.

Neunte Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 29. Mai, 9 Uhr Vorm.

Pastor J. Kohler leitete die Andacht. Die Verhandlungen der achten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Hierauf wurde der Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil wieder verlesen und sodann zur Berathung entgegengenommen. Derselbe lautet:

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Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Die zwanzigste Convention des General-Concils wurde vom 13.—18. September 1887 in Greenville, Pa., gehalten. Acht Synoden waren vertreten. Die Zahl der anwesenden Delegaten war 63, darunter 15 Pastoren und sieben Laien von unserm Ministerium.

Mit der Ausarbeitung der Ordnungen für kirchliche Handlungen wurde weiter fortgeschritten und die allgemeinen Rubriken zur heiligen Taufe, die Ordnung der Nothtaufe und die der Trauung wurden angenommen.

Die Berichte der Missions-Committeen ergaben, daß im Laufe des letzten Jahres $8792.23 für Heiden-Mission ausgegeben wurden, $5454.95 für die einheimische deutsche Mission, $5055.15 für die einheimische englische Mission, $12,200.00 für die einheimische schwedische Mission.

Es wurde beschlossen, daß nach Bezahlung aller nöthigen Ausgaben des General-Concils, zwei Drittel vom Ueberschuß der deutschen Publicationen des General-Concils an die deutsche einheimische Missions-Committee bezahlt werden sollen und zwei Drittel vom Ueberschuß der englischen Publicationen an die einheimische englische Missions-Committee. Das dritte Drittel aus beiden Quellen soll an die Heiden-Missions-Committee bezahlt werden.

I. Auch wurde beschlossen, daß in Betracht der großen und dringenden Nothstände unsrer Kirche in neuen Städten und Territorien dieses Landes die einzelnen Synoden des General-Concils dringend ermahnt werden sollen, ihre Mittel nicht auf kleine Posten, die nichts versprechen, zu verausgaben, sondern ihre Aufmerksamkeit hauptsächlich den großen und wichtigen Centralstätten der Bevölkerung zuzuwenden, die in stetem Wachsthum begriffen sind.

II. Es wurde ferner beschlossen, daß die Synoden dringend ersucht werden sollen, in ihrem Plan zur Erhebung der für Local-Zwecke nöthigen Gelder auch darauf Rücksicht zu nehmen, daß ein regelmäßiges jährliches Einkommen für das allgemeine Missionswerk der Committeen des General-Concils gesichert werde und daß die Missions-Committeen der Districts-Synoden instruirt werden sollen, an die Committeen des General-Concils regelmäßige Jahresberichte einzusenden, worin sie über das Missionswerk ihrer Synoden, die Zahl und den Zustand ihrer verschiedenen Missionsposten, die Zahl der von ihnen angestellten oder unterstützten Missionare, den Betrag der dafür verausgabten Gelder berichten sollen, so daß diese Mittheilungen in die Berichte der Committeen des General-Concils mit aufgenommen werden können.

III. Die Frage über Veränderung der Basis für die Repräsentation der einzelnen Synoden im General-Concil wurde an die Synoden zur Erwägung verwiesen.

Die Regelung der Beziehungen zu der Anstalt in Kropp wurde an eine besondere Commission verwiesen, bestehend aus den Trustees des General-Concils, der Facultät des theologischen Seminars und der deutschen einheimischen Missions-Committee.

Die nächste Convention wird in der englischen St. Johannis-Kirche in Minneapolis, Minn., stattfinden und am zweiten Donnerstag im September 1888 ihren Anfang nehmen.

In Betreff des ersten Vorschlags wurde

Beschlossen: Daß wir den Rath, den das General-Concil den einzelnen Districts-Synoden gibt, in Bezug auf die Verausgabung von Geldern für einheimische Mission, der Beachtung unserer Executiv-Committee anempfehlen und dieselbe ersuchen, die Auflagen gemäß dieser Empfehlung zu machen.

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Ueber den zweiten Punkt wurde

Beschlossen: Daß bei jeder Jahresversammlung der Synode die Executiv-Committee oder eine für diesen Zweck besonders ernannte Committee beauftragt werde, über die Beiträge für wohlthätige Zwecke Bericht zu erstatten, sowie darüber zu berichten, wieviel die einzelnen Parochien beigetragen haben und auch die einzelnen Gemeinden zu nennen, von welchen keine Beiträge kommen, damit die Synode von Zeit zu Zeit die ihr hierin nöthig scheinenden Maßregeln treffen möge.

Ueber Punkt III wurde

Beschlossen: Daß eine besondere Committee ernannt werde, um bei dieser Versammlung des Ministeriums zu berichten, ob und welche Veränderungen der Basis oder des Verhältnisses der Repräsentation von Seiten unserer Synode im General-Concil wünschenswerth sind.

Als Committee wurden ernannt die Doktoren J. A. Seiß, B. M. Schmucker, J. Fry, D. M. Henkel und Pastor Wm. A. Schäffer. (Siehe den Bericht in der zehnten Sitzung).

Der Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil wurde nun als Ganzes angenommen.

Auch wurde

Beschlossen, Daß die Delegaten zum General-Concil hiermit instruiert werden, dahin zu wirken, daß sich das Concil in Zukunft nur alle zwei Jahre versammelt.

Als Stimmzähler für die Wahl der Delegaten an das General-Concil wurden ernannt die Pastoren L. H. Geschwind, W. H. Strauß, W. Rieb, H. Peters, Th. Schmauk und die Abgeordneten C. L. Barron, W. Beates, W. T. Breinig.

Für die Wahl der Stellvertreter wurden später ernannt: Die Pastoren S. A. Ziegenfuß, P. Isenschmid M. D., A. W. Walter, A. L. Yount, W. D. C. Keiter, H. Kösel, L. Schneider, M. Urban. Erwählt wurden als

Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Geistliche:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. F. Krotel D. D. v. Amtswegen,	Herr Wm. H. Staake Esq.,
„ J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D.,	„ Heinr. Beates,
„ A. Späth D. D.,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ H. E. Jacobs D. D.,	„ J. Fegley,
„ B. M. Schmucker D. D.,	„ C. D. Norton,
„ J. Fry D. D.,	„ A. W. Potteiger,
„ G. F. Spieker D. D.,	„ C. R. Lantz Esq.,
„ S. A. Repaß D. D.,	„ A. G. Säger,
„ W. J. Mann D. D.,	„ J. H. Wolf,
„ F. J. F. Schantz,	„ M. Langenstein,
„ T. L. Seip D. D.,	„ R. A. Bär,
„ H. Grahn,	„ H. Lehman,
„ C. Smith,	„ Prof. S. P. Sadtler,
„ S. Laird D. D.,	„ L. Schneider,
„ J. M. Anspach,	„ M. H. Horn,
„ D. H. Geissinger,	„ W. G. Heller,
„ M. C. Horine,	„ L. H. Ließ,
„ C. J. Cooper,	„ W. Hauff,
„ C. W. Schäffer, D. D. LL. D.,	„ F. Bauer.

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Stellvertreter an das General-Concil.

Geistliche:	Laien:
Ehrw. B. W. Schmauk,	Herr R. B. Miller,
„ J. F. Ohl,	„ J. A. Geissenhainer Esq.,
„ W. A. Schäffer,	„ P. B. Breinig M. D.,
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß,	„ J. J. Mohr,
„ F. F. Bürmeyer,	„ Prof. R. K. Bührle,
„ L. Lindenstruth,	„ J. K. Moser,
„ G. D. Bernheim D. D.,	„ J. B. Zimmele,
„ E. E. Sibole,	„ M. F. Trexler,
„ Ph. Pfatteicher,	„ John Willing,
„ D. R. Kepner,	„ Aug. Bendel,
„ J. Kohler,	„ Geo. C. Böhm,
„ J. C. Dizinger,	„ J. C. Knauß,
„ L. Groh,	„ F. W. Ließmann,
„ B. Sadtler D. D.,*)	„ W. T. Breinig,
„ H. B. Strodach,	„ G. Kiehl,
„ F. W. Weiskotten,	„ T. G. Helfrich,
„ E. H. Pohle,	„ C. A. Heinitsch,
„ J. J. Kündig,	„ Joh. G. Fischer,
„ A. W. Walter.	„ Prof. D. S. Boyer.

Dr. J. A. Seiß verlas folgenden Bericht über Traktate:

Die Committee, der die Berathung des Vorschlags des Pastoral-Vereins von Philadelphia übergeben wurde, berichtet, daß die Veröffentlichung von kurzen und erbaulichen Tractaten in deutscher und englischer Sprache empfohlen und genehmigt werde; daß die Verlags-Committee bevollmächtigt sei, im Namen und auf Kosten des Ministeriums, solche Tractate, wenn angeboten, zu drucken und herauszugeben, unter der Bedingung, daß solche Tractate zuvor von jedem Gliede der Facultät des Theologischen Seminars und dem Präsidenten dieses Ministeriums geprüft und genehmigt seien, und daß die Preise für solche Tractate von der Publications-Committee festgesetzt werden.

Das Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Dr. Schmucker verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Disciplin.

I. In Betreff der Angelegenheit des Pastors J. W. Klingler, freut sich Ihre Commitee über die sehr günstigen Zeugnisse, die bezüglich seines Verhaltens während des vergangenen Jahres eingegangen sind. Sie hegt die Hoffnung, daß die Synode noch im Stande sein wird, die auferlegte Strafe aufzuheben, fühlt sich aber gedrungen, vorzuschlagen, daß für dieses Jahr das Urtheil der Suspension fortbestehen soll.

II. Ein Gesuch von der Familie des ehrw. W. G. Mennig ist an uns ergangen, daß das Urtheil der Suspension, das von unserem Ministerium aus auf ihm bis zu seinem Tode ruhte, von unserem Protocoll durch Beschluß dieses Körpers ausgestrichen werden möge. In Anbetracht der Unordnung und Entfremdung, die sein Verfahren hervorrief, stellt Ihre Committee die Mißbilligung und die Handhabung der Disciplin in seiner Sache nicht in Frage; aber sie glaubt, daß die Uebelstände das Resultat verschiedener Ansichten zwischen

*) Entschuldigt.

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ihm und diesem Ministerium waren, wobei sein Charakter in moralischer und religiöser Hinsicht nicht afficirt wurde. Als ein Act der Achtung im Bewahren des Andenkens eines guten Mannes schlägt sie vor, daß die Aufzeichnung des gegen ihn stehenden Urteils gestrichen werde.

Der Bericht wurde punktweise berathen, die beiden im Bericht gestellten Anträge zum Beschluß erhoben, und der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor J. Gruhler.

Zehnte Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 29. Mai, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Der ehrw. E. A. Bauer leitete die Andacht zu Eröffnung der Sitzung. Die Verhandlungen der neunten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Der Tagesordnung gemäß wurde der Bericht der Committee über die Deutsche Conferenz verlesen und zur Berathung aufgenommen. Er lautet:

Bericht der Committee über die deutsche Konferenz.

In die Hände des Ausschusses kamen aus folgenden Gemeinden schriftliche Gesuche, in welchen die Synode gebeten wird, besagte Gemeinden an eine deutsche Conferenz zu überweisen, die nach Vorschrift der Verfassung: Cap. 2. Art. III. § 2, gebildet werden soll: —

1. St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Philadelphia.
2. St. Johannis-Gemeinde, Reading.
3. Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Trenton, N. J.
4. Christus-Gemeinde, Mahanoy City.
5. St. Johannis-Gemeinde, Tamaqua.
6. Zions-Gemeinde, Harrisburg.
7. St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Norristown.
8. Kreuz-Gemeinde, Philadelphia.

Nach genauer Prüfung fand die Committee, daß die Bittschriften ohne Ausnahme von den Gemeinden selbst bei regelmäßigen Versammlungen vorgeschlagen und angenommen wurden. In den vier erstgenannten geschah dieses vor der letztjährigen Versammlung der Synode; in der St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Philadelphia, nämlich schon anno 1886. In der St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Philadelphia, und der St. Paulus-Gemeinde, Norristown, wurden die Beschlüsse in neuester Zeit noch einmal von den löblichen Kirchenräthen gutgeheißen; wie auch von der St. Johannis-Gemeinde, Reading, selbst im laufenden Jahre bei einer regelmäßig berufenen Sitzung.

Ihre Committee schlägt vor,

1. Daß die Synode jetzt dazu schreite, eine deutsche Conferenz in's Leben zu rufen.

2. Daß, nachdem eine solche Conferenz gebildet worden ist, die genannten Gemeinden durch Abstimmung über jede einzelne Gemeinde von der Synode dieser Konferenz zugewiesen werden.

Die Committee.

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Die beiden Vorschläge wurden angenommen und darauf die genannten acht Gemeinden, durch Abstimmung über jede einzelne, dieser deutschen Conferenz zugetheilt.

Hierauf wurde der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Dr. Seiß verlas folgenden

Bericht der Committee über Repräsentation im General-Concil.

Da dieses Ministerium es für wünschenswerth erachtet, daß das General-Concil alle zwei Jahre anstatt jährlich sich versammle, so halten wir es für das Beste, daß keine Aenderung in der Zahl der Delegaten an das Concil gemacht werde.

J. A. Seiß, D. M. Henkel,
B. M. Schmucker, W. A. Schäffer,
J. Fry.

Hierauf unterbreitete Dr. Seiß den

Bericht der Committee über das Singmaster-Vermächtniß.

Da das Ministerium Mittheilung erhalten hat betreffs des Vermächtnisses, welches der verstorbene Heinrich Singmaster unserem Seminar in Philadelphia hinterlassen hat, wie auch über die Bereitwilligkeit seiner Wittwe, Frau Rosanna Singmaster, daß solche Anordnungen mit dem Ministerium getroffen werden sollen, wodurch der Wunsch des Erblassers im Interesse des Seminars ohne Zögerung schließlich erfüllt werden soll, so sei

Beschlossen: Daß wir unsere Anerkennung der intelligenten, wohlwollenden und christlichen Gesinnung des verstorbenen Heinrich Singmaster hiermit bezeugen und verzeichnen; sowie auch unsere Absicht, seine freundliche Munificenz in dankbarer Erinnerung zu halten und unsere Ueberzeugung, daß seine großmüthige That, durch Gottes Gnade, unserem Seminar zum bleibenden Segen gereichen wird, hierdurch aussprechen.

Beschlossen: Daß die herzliche Sympathie, welche Frau Rosanna Singmaster mit der intelligenten und wohlwollenden Gesinnung ihres verstorbenen Gatten beweist, wie auch ihr reges und lobenswerthes Interesse, daß das Vermächtniß für den beabsichtigten Zweck gewissenhaft verwendet werde, unsere aufrichtige Anerkennung und unsern innigsten Dank verdienen.

Beschlossen: Daß die obigen Beschlüsse in schöner Schrift aufgezeichnet, von den Beamten des Ministeriums unterschrieben, eingerahmt und dann der Wittwe zugestellt werden.

Achtungsvoll

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor Schantz verlas folgenden

Bericht der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich achtungsvoll zu berichten, daß die ganze im letzten Jahr für die wohlthätigen Zwecke der Synode erhobene Summe den Parochialberichten gemäß $18,382.43 betrug. Die Beiträge des vorhergehenden Jahres beliefen sich auf $18,135.29.

Tabelle No. II zeigt die Auflagen des verflossenen Jahres, die von den

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einzelnen Parochien einbezahlten Summen und auch die Auflagen für das Synodaljahr 1888—1889.

Die für das neue Synodaljahr nöthigen Summen sind die folgenden:

Synodalzwecke	$ 4000.00
Erziehung	6500.00
Theologisches Seminar	1283.70
Mühlenberg-Collegium	1000.00
Deutsche Professur im Mühlenberg-Collegium	600.00
Einheimische Mission (Penna.-Synode) / Stadtmission (Philadelphia)	7000.00
Pastoren-Wittwen und -Waisen	1200.00
Heidenmission	3500.00
	$25,083.70

Die Committee

F. J. F. Schantz, M. G. Horine,
S. A. Ziegenfuß, E. E. Sibole,
H. N. Fegley, J. J. Kreßman,
B. F. Apple A. P. Pflüger.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und die Committee beauftragt, die Auflagen für das neue Synodaljahr zu revidiren. Diese Arbeit der Committee ist unter „Auflage für 1888—1889" in Tabelle No. II enthalten.

Vertagung. Gebet von Pastor Bruning.

Elfte Sitzung.

Mittwoch, den 30. Mai, Vorm. 9 Uhr.

Pastor J. L. Sibole leitete die Andacht. Die Verhandlungen der zehnten Sitzung wurden verlesen und angenommen.

Der ehrw. Präsident verlas folgende Mittheilung über die Organisation der deutschen Conferenz:

An den ehrw. Herrn Präsidenten des Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien 2c.

Nachdem durch Synodal-Beschluß vom 29. Mai d. J. dem Gesuch derjenigen deutschen Gemeinden, die um Errichtung einer deutschen Conferenz petitionirten, entsprochen und die Gesuchsteller der erwähnten Conferenz von der Synode überwiesen worden waren, und nachdem der Herr Präsident der Synode erklärt hatte, daß die Betreffenden nunmehr zu ihrer Constituirung schreiten mögen, versammelten sich dieselben Dienstag, den 29. d. Mts., Abends 5 Uhr, in der Kapelle der Trinitatis-Kirche zu Lancaster, Pa.

Nach dem Eröffnungs-Gebet von Ehrw. Pastor J. Heck wurden folgende Beamten einstimmig erwählt:

Ehrw. J. J. Kündig von Reading als Vorsitzender,
„ J. H. R. Wendel von Harrisburg, Pa., als Schriftführer.

Indem ich dies amtlich zur Kenntniß des Herrn Synodal-Präses bringe, zeichnet Hochachtungsvoll

Lancaster, Pa., den 30. Mai 1888.

Deutsche Conferenz des ev.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien u. a. St.,
J. H. R. Wendel, Schriftführer.

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Das Schreiben wurde angenommen.

Pastor Seaman erstattete einen kurzen Bericht über Parochial-Berichte, welcher angenommen wurde.

Eine freundliche Einladung durch Pastor B. W. Schmauk, die nächste Versammlung der Synode in der ev.-luth. Salems-Kirche in Lebanon, Pa., zu halten, wurde einstimmig angenommen.

Dr. B. M. Schmucker verlas folgenden Vorschlag in Bezug auf ein an die Zions- und St. Pauls-Gemeinden in Philadelphia zu stellendes Gesuch, welcher angenommen wurde:

Das Ministerium von Pennsylvanien gedenkt mit dankbarer Anerkennung, daß im Jahre 1865, als das Eigenthum No. 212 Franklin Str., Philadelphia, für das von diesem Ministerium im Jahre 1864 gegründete Seminar gekauft wurde, die Korporation der Zions-Gemeinde mit tiefem Interesse an diesem wichtigen Werke, dem Seminar in freigebiger Weise die Grundrente im Betrag von $7500 überließ für die Zeit, daß das Eigenthum für das Seminar gebraucht werden sollte.

Ebenso dankbar gedenkt das Ministerium an die Thatsache, daß, als im Jahr 1871 eine Vergrößerung des Seminars nöthig wurde, die Baustelle No. 214 Franklin Str. von den beiden Gemeinden, Zions und St. Paulus, gekauft wurde, wobei von beiden Seiten in gleichen Theilen der Kaufpreis, in einer Hypothek auf das Eigenthum, dem Seminar überlassen wurde, so lange der Grund für diesen Zweck gebraucht werde.

Nachdem wir nun diese reichen Gaben, die erste 23 Jahre, die zweite 16 Jahre lang genossen haben, drückt das Ministerium hiemit seinen herzlichen Dank dafür aus, in der Hoffnung, daß der reiche Segen, den das Seminar anerkannter Maßen für die Kirche gebracht hat, ihnen der Dank unsres Herrn und Heilandes für ihre Freigebigkeit sein soll.

Da nun nach dem Urteil der Synode die Zeit gekommen ist, daß das Seminar nach einer andern Localität in der Stadt Philadelphia verlegt werden mußte, wo wir nicht weniger, sondern mehr Segen von demselben erwarten dürfen, so wäre es dem Ministerium und den Freunden des Seminars sehr lieb, wenn die Anstalt auch fernerhin im Genuß der Verwilligung dieser Gemeinden bleiben könnte, darum sei es

Beschlossen, daß die Beamten der Synode ersucht seien, diese Action den Corporationen der Zions- und St. Paulus-Gemeinden mitzutheilen und sie zu bitten, sie möchten solche Beschlüsse fassen, die nach ihrem Urtheil recht und gesetzlich sind, wodurch das Seminar an der neuen Heimstätte, die es nun finden soll, auch fernerhin im Genuß der reichen Verwilligung verbleiben möge, die ihm bei seiner Verlegung nach der Franklin Str. gemacht worden ist.

Achtungsvoll

Die Committee.

Pastor Plitt verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Entschuldigungen.

Ihre Committee über Entschuldigungen berichtet achtungsvoll, daß demselben Entschuldigungsschreiben von folgenden Brüdern eingehändigt wurden, in welchen Schreiben die Gründe ihrer Abwesenheit von der Synodalversammlung angegeben waren. Für gänzliche Abwesenheit entschuldigten sich: Ehrw. Josua Jäger, H. J. Schmidt D. D., C. F. Welden, C. L. Erle, A. J. Wed-

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dell, W. S. Emery, P. F. Zizelmann, Dr. F. A. Mühlenberg, D. Kuntz, Prof. Dr. Martin, G. A. Strunz, Th. Heilig, J. H. Schmidt, R. Gerlach, J. M. Hantz, B. Pick Ph. D., F. W. Weiskotten, D. E. Reed, W. H. Kuntz, J. E. Nidecker, B. H. Warnke, Prof. J. Baumann, Prof. Dr. Wackernagel, M. L. Zweizig, W. A. Beates, J. Witte, G. M. Scheidy.

Beschlossen, daß ihre Abwesenheit entschuldigt werde.

Theilweise abwesend waren: Ehrw. Dr. B. Sadtler, W. A. Sadtler, C. Kühn, A. Finfrok, Dr. A. R. Horne, D. D. Trexler, J. C. Dizinger, S. S. Henry, J. J. Creßman, J. N. S. Erb, D. M. Stettler, D. H. Geissinger, F. F. Bürmeyer, J. J. Kuntz, H. B. Strodach, R. M. Zimmerman, J. W. Bieber, W. F. Schöner, O. D. Bartholomew, H. J. Kuder, U. P. Heilman, J. H. Kuder, E. L. Miller, C. E. Sandt, A. R. J. Gräpp, W. Keiter, Dr. H. Hilprecht, E. A. Behrens, J. Niemann. Die Abgeordneten: Wm. J. Missimer, Elias Schäffer, Jos. Harmony, J. L. Kramer, J. O. Knauß, James A. Gaumer, Wm. Byerly, Karl Kerschner, Wm. Nickum, J. S. Fischer, J. L. Heilig, H. Huber, Prof. S. P. Sadtler.

Beschlossen, daß auch diese entschuldigt werden.

Achtungsvoll

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor J. W. Early verlas den

Bericht des Statistikers der Synode.

Der Statistiker berichtet achtungsvoll, daß, was er während dieses Jahrs gethan, als bloß vorläufige Arbeit angesehen werden möchte. — Die 3. Tabelle wurde ganz umgestaltet, zum wirklichen Gemeinde-Register; wie von Anfang beabsichtigt scheint, so daß genau angegeben wurde, wo eine Pfarrstelle zu finden, und wer dieselbe bedient. Da die diesjährigen Berichte, die eingelaufen sind, die Kirchen nach Namen und Ort viel näher bezeichnen, als je zuvor, so kann diese Tabelle vervollkommnet werden. Er möchte auch eine bessere Einrichtung der 2. Tabelle anempfehlen, so daß beim ersten Blick deutlich gezeigt würde, ob ein Pastor seine Auflage zusammengebracht hat. Das, könnte leicht geschehen, wenn man statt den Ausdrücken „für Synodalzwecke" und „für das General-Concil", die leicht falsch gedeutet werden, die Ausdrücke „zur Auflage" und „nicht zur Auflage", setzen würde. Es könnten dann die Secretäre und auch der Statistiker die Tabelle so einrichten, daß beim ersten Blick zu sehen wäre, ob was zur Auflage gehört und einbezahlt ist oder nicht. Das in der 1. Tabelle Enthaltene wäre auch weit deutlicher und brauchbarer, wenn Kindertaufen und Taufen der Erwachsenen in umgekehrter Ordnung gegeben wären, so daß Taufen der Erwachsenen zuerst stünde. Man könnte dann augenblicklich die ganze Gliederzahl, Communicanten, Confirmanden, von anderen Gemeinden Aufgenommene 2c., sehen. Wie die Sache jetzt steht, kann beinahe Niemand, ausgenommen ein Sachkundiger, der sich damit abgibt, es sagen.

Achtungsvoll

J. W. Early, Statist.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß die darin gemachten Vorschläge ausgeführt werden.

Es wurde ferner

Beschlossen, daß die Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit dafür

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sorgen soll, daß jedem Pastor per Postkarte mitgetheilt werde, wie viel die Auflage seiner Parochie für das kommende Jahr beträgt.

Beschlossen, daß die Committee über den Betrag der Synodalauflagen instruirt werde, das ganze System und die den einzelnen Parochien zugetheilten Beträge einer eingehenden Prüfung zu unterziehen und zu sehen, was für Veränderungen nöthig sind um ein besseres Resultat zu erzielen und die Vertheilung der Beträge billiger und gleichmäßiger zu machen, und daß die Committee ihren Bericht so früh als möglich bei der nächsten Versammlung der Synode einreiche.

Pastor W. A. Schäffer wurde der Committee noch zugegeben.

Die Secretäre wurden beauftragt, für die nöthigen Zettel (blank tickets) für den Gebrauch bei den Wahlen der Synode zu sorgen. Deßgleichen die nöthige Anzahl der Verhandlungen drucken zu lassen.

Die Examinations-Committee des verflossenen Jahres wurde wieder ernannt, mit Ausnahme der Doctoren A. Martin und B. Sadtler, welche eine Wiederernennnung nicht wünschten. (Siehe unter Beamten und stehenden Committeen.)

Sodann wurde

Beschlossen, daß wir dem Pastor und den Gliedern der Trinitatis-Gemeinde, sowie den andern lutherischen Gemeinden der Stadt, deren Gastfreundschaft die Synode genießen durfte, unsern herzlichen Dank aussprechen.

Beschlossen, daß der täglichen Presse und den Berichterstattern für ihre vollständigen und genauen Berichte der herzliche Dank ausgedrückt werde.

Beschlossen, daß wir Pastor S. Stall unseren herzlichen Dank aussprechen für die Exemplare seines Jahrbuchs für 1888, die er so freigebig an die Glieder der Synode während der Versammlung ausgetheilt hat.

Nachdem die Verhandlungen der elften Sitzung verlesen und angenommen waren, vertagte sich die Synode Mittags um 12 Uhr und wurde nach liturgischer Ordnung und mit Gesang aus dem Liede „Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott" beschlossen.

Die 142. Jahresversammlung wird, so Gott will, in der ev.-luth. Salems-Kirche zu Lebanon, Pa., gehalten werden und beginnt am Donnerstag vor dem Trinitatisfeste, den 13. Juni 1889.

L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Secretär.

Lancaster, Pa., den 30. Mai 1888.

2. Ministerial-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

Trinitatis-Kirche, Lancaster, Pa.

Freitag, den 25. Mai 1888, Vorm. 11.30 Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde eröffnet mit einem Gebet von Pastor E. A. Bauer.

Pastor G. F. Spieker D. D., verlas den

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Bericht der Examinations-Committee.

Ihre Committee erlaubt ſich zu berichten, daß ſie mit folgenden ordinirten Predigern conferirt hat und dem Miniſterium ihre Aufnahme in die Synode empfiehlt:

Ehrw. J. B. Fox von der Pittsburg-Synode.
" J. J. Fouſt von der Pittsburg-Synode.
" J. C. Gräpp von dem New York-Miniſterium.
" J. Niemann von dem New York-Miniſterium.
" H. Peters von dem New York-Miniſterium.
" H. Wendel von dem New York-Miniſterium.

Die folgenden Candidaten wurden den Anforderungen der Conſtitution gemäß geprüft und wird ihre Ordination anempfohlen:

1. Carl Clinton Boyer von Lewistown, Schuylkill Co., Pa.
2. Wilhelm Dieckhoff von Roſtock.
3. Franklin Foſter Fry von Reading, Pa.
4. Carl Chriſtian Adolf Eberhard Holm von Wick in Rügen.
5. Jacob Albert Hufford von Wytheville, Va.
6. Knut O. Lomen von Jowa.
7. Robert Benj. Lynch von Pennsburg, Pa.
8. A. Miles Mehrkam von Lehighton, Carbon Co., Pa.
9. Owen Reber von Berks Co.
10. Hermann Heinrich Rippe aus Hannover, Deutſchland.
11. Wm. Auguſt Sadtler von Baltimore, Md.
12. Adam Monroe Weber von Bernville, Berks Co., Pa.
13. Wilhelm Weikſel von Line Mountain, Northumberland Co., Pa.
14. Hermann Weigand von Halberſtadt, Preußen.
15. Johann Hope Wyſe von Süd-Carolina.
16. Elias Amandus Yehl von Lehigh Co., Pa.

G. F. Spieker, Secretär.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung entgegengenommen und über die Aufnahme jedes einzelnen Applicanten beſonders abgeſtimmt.

Die im Bericht vorgeſchlagenen ordinirten Prediger wurden durch einſtimmigen Beſchluß der Synode zur Aufnahme empfohlen.

Ebenfalls wurde die Empfehlung der Committee in Betreff der Candidaten angenommen und deren Ordination durch Abſtimmung über jeden Einzelnen beſchloſſen, mit Ausnahme des zuletzt Genannten, über deſſen Ordination die Abſtimmung wegen Mangel an Zeit verſchoben wurde.

Zweite Sitzung.

Freitag, den 25. Mai 1888, Nachm. 4½ Uhr.

Gebet von Paſtor S. A. Repaß D. D.

Die Empfehlung der Committee, daß auch Candidat E. A. Yehl ordinirt werde, wurde berathen und angenommen. Der Bericht wurde dann als Ganzes angenommen. Vertagt mit dem Vaterunſer.

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Tabelle No. 1.

Parochial-Berichte für das am Pfingstsonntag 1888 endigende Jahr.

Pastoren.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.				
	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicantenzahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Erwachsene.	Kinder.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Ander, T. R. (1)	2	138	88	12	1			19	3	1		1	48	2	16	114			
„ Andres W. J.	4	650	512	100				55	12								5	60	500
„ Anspach, J. M.	1	310	265	12	1	3		15	12	18				1	32	300			
„ Apple, B. F.	1	222	202	37	9	1	3	39	5					1	25	155			
„ Bartholomew, L. D.	5	860	640	60	5	4		75	15	20				3	22	315	5	30	300
„ Bauer, E. A.	1	700	600	77				152	15					1	50	500			
„ Becker, J. L.	3	1150	950	53	4	10	10	45	11	13									
„ Behrens, E. A.	2	80	31		20			15				1	54	1	14	80			
„ Bender, F. P.	1	1000	780	108	32		2	261	19	2		1	40	1	80	900			
„ Berkemeier, F.	2	375	360		5			16	13	4							2		
„ Berndt, F. K.	2	651	493	35				42	9	16				1	13	125	3	35	350
„ Bernheim, G. D., D. D. (2)	1	220	142	1	3	2		29	2		4			1	27	220			
„ Bickel, J. L.	3	114	98	10	12	1	1	28						3	30	330			
„ Bieber, J. W.	2	1118	878	51	14	5		39	16	11							6	72	684
„ Bieber, W. J.	3	550	425	27	3		1	44	8	3				1	10	80	2	58	297
„ Binder, C. K.	1	136	90	5	13	1	2	16	2					1	21	170			
„ Breinig, A. J. B.	3	440	357	57	1	1	2	24	5					1	15	80	2	38	325
„ Brownmiller, E. S.	5	850	700	51	14		4	32	5		1			2					

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Ehrw.	Brügel, G. A. (3)	5	700	461					13	11					2	20	120	13	50	500
,,	Bruning, H. H.	1	213	185	11	2			25	5	5				1	21	148			
,,	Bürmeyer, F. F.	1	*90	*82	13	6			7	2	8				1	14	125			
,,	Caffaday, E. R.	1	234	175	27	3	4	1	35	6	13				1	22	325			
,,	Coleman, D. L. (4)	1	150	120	5	2		1	9	4	5				1	14	110			
,,	Creßman, J. J.	3	650	600		15			33	10	27							3	50	580
,,	Darmstätter, J.	1	240	180		14	3		13	6					1	18	160			
,,	Darmstätter, J. A.	2	300	253	17	3		1	31	6	4				2	18	148			
,,	Deck, J. P.	1	336	283	9	6	1	1	32	13	10				1	33	290			
,,	Dizinger, J. C. (5)	1	450	310	26	12			63	8	5		1	40	1	30	300			
,,	Droppa, A. C. (6)	1	800	646	2				11	1										
,,	Drumheller, C. K.	1	240	136	1	3	1	2	14	1	2	1			1	22	223			
,,	Early, J. W.	3	254	182	5	3		1	18	2	4				1	13	68	1	8	40
,,	Erb, J. N. S.	6	600	500	38	10	2	2	52	16					1	25	300	5	40	400
,,	Erb, J. S.	2	465	425	62	30	2		57	10	6				2	40	300	4	20	200
,,	Erdmann, A. E.	4	570	470	16			4	29	7	5				1	12	125	4	40	475
,,	Fegley, H. R.	2	286	250	6	5			5	9	2				2	29	310			
,,	Fegley, H. S.	5	800	631	34				36	7								7	75	700
,,	Finfrock, A.	4	1283	1013	69	1		1	77	17	15							4	80	750
,,	Fluck, F. J. C.	1	296	267	15	32		3	40	3	9				1	33	363			
,,	Fogelman, D. L.	4	315	260	27				12	2					2	24	125	1	8	80
,,	Foust, Geo. D.	1	170	145	2	4	2		6	1	7				1	15	150			
,,	Foust, J. J. (7)	1	60	39		3									1	9	38			
,,	Fox, W. B.	4	1175	990	31	10		4	80	15	15				1	30	160	6	80	875
,,	Francis, S. A. K.	1	430	300	20	9		2	79	5	8				1	30	400			
,,	Fry, C. L.	1	900	745	35	7	5	7	67	20	15				1	60	535			
,,	Fry, J., D. D.	1	1175	888	47	19	4	1	51	20	9				4	100	1070			
,,	Gable, Z. H	6	1400	1150	70	1		6	120	22	1				2	25	300	8		
,,	Gardner, G. C.	1	583	328	27	52	3		48	6	23				1	35	272			
,,	Gardner, G. F	1	211	198	12	4		5	61	6	41	7			1	32	257			
,,	Gauker, J. W.	3	333	300	29	3	2	10	35	6	2							3	49	270
,,	Geiger, W. H.	4	541	401	26		1		34	11	4				2	31	181	2	27	150
,,	Geissinger, D. H. (8)	1	675	472	31	4	10	1	25	19	12				1	52	500			
,,	Gerhart, E. H.	1	362	325	2	5	2		28	3	15				1	32	265			
,,	Gerlach, R.	1	1000	902	65		2	2	124	38	2	12	1	51	2	38	360			
,,	German, J. P.	7	554	496	20				38	11	7				3	20	192	3	21	290

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Ehrw. Geschwind, L. H.	1	155	118	25	22	4	4	6	1	14				1	26	225			
„ Gieß, H.	4	600	529	22			1	35	12					1	18	100	4	42	320
„ Glasow, P. F. A.	1	400	294	35	1	1		23	12					1	43	200			
„ Gräpp, A. R. J.	2	135	129	11	7			14	1	8				2	20	126			
„ Gräpp, J. C.	1	65	45					11		2				1	7	34			
„ Grahn, H.	1	650	595	50	10			181	6			2	131	2	48	377			
„ Groh, L. (9)	1	820	700	33	25	2	1	52	10	20				1	40	375	4	50	250
„ Gruhler, J.	1	240	165	10	2			44	5	19				1	25	120			
„ Günich, G. F. W.	1	300	3 0	16				28	5	5				1	28	150			
„ Haßler, J. W.	1	240	176	7			2	3	9	5				1	21	157			
„ Haupt, C. E.	1	410	328	39	32	10	11	120	10	3		2	23	2	45	420			
„ Heck, J.	1	249	150	19	2	2		40	8	18		1	62	1	18	180			
„ Heilig, T.	2	210	135					9	7	8				2	16	135			
„ Heilman, U. P.	3	720	635	21				45	20		41						7	85	800
„ Hellwege, H. F. A. (10)																			
„ Hemfath, C. H.	1	292	168	11	3	5		12	8					1	34	226			
„ Henkel, D. M., D.D.	1	58	56	8	6			4		1				1	11	75			
„ Henry, G. S.	5	416	260	14	10		1	45	5	6							6	79	395
„ Hillpot, J. R.	5	697	575	20	2			51	9	4				2	26	210	3	24	200
„ Hinterleitner, G. A., D.D.	1	500	436	22	26		1	51	13	11				1	35	300			
„ Hirzel, C. J.	1	114	92	9	7	1	4	18	2	3				1	15	122			
„ Horine, M. S.	1	581	453	38	9	2		43	16	6				2	59	550			
„ Horne, A. R., D.D.	4	1325	930	47	4	5		60	14	16				1	15	100	8	80	750
„ Humbert, D. K.	6	1816	1600	170			6	160	51	30							9	80	800

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Ehrw.	Huntzinger, F. K.	3	950	800	93				144	30	25				1	35	650			
,,	Isenschmid, P., M. D.	1	200	200	16			1	53	6	2				1	20	200			
,,	Jelden, F.	1	60	90		4			19	4					1	17	68			
,,	Keiter, W. D. C.	2	281	205	15	18	6		12	6					1	19	150	1	25	103
,,	Kepner, D. K.	1	1280	1139	62	40	6	5	130	14	5				1	55	946	4	18	*150
,,	Kline, J. J.	3	800	625	8	10		1	44	12	3				2	40	365	1	15	125
,,	Klingensmith, U. J.	1	136	120	2	1	2	4	8		2				1	12	70			
,,	Kohler, J.	1	205	189	3	2			8	4	1				1	10	70			
,,	Kramlich, B. E.	6	1295	1090	108				75	55					2	25	2 0	7	40	500
,,	Kramlich, M. J.	1	40	30			2		5	1								1	10	75
,,	Krotel, G. F., D.D.	1	783		30	19	4	2	24	2	4				1	33	248			
,,	Kuder, J. H.	1	407	363	18	16	1		45	2	56	10			1	38	366			
,,	Kühn, Conrad (11)	1	600	615	35	11			93		16		1	30	1	20	350			
,,	Kündig, J. J.	1	*1350	*1100	62				109	56			*3	*153	*2	*78	*800			
,,	Kunkel, G. G.	3	225	197	26				24						3	27	140			
,,	Kuntz, D.	3	920	775	15	2			39	16	5							4		
,,	Kuntz, J. J.	5	778	570	48		1	1	87	15	1							6	15	300
,,	Laird, S., D. D.	1	600	*500	10	16	4	1	18	4	6				1	51	300			
,,	Laitzle, W. G.								3											
,,	Lauer, W. C. L.	1	182	111	11				26	3	14				1	30	185			
,,	Lazarus, J. W. (12)	4	729	611	23	29	5	2	55	16					1	18	127	3	32	389
,,	Leibensperger, J. D.	1	154	122	20		6		18	2	6				1	21	152			
,,	Lenker, M. B.	3	361	250		4			60	3					1	16	90	1	7	40
,,	Leopold, D.	5	752	740	62				45	24	6				1	15	90	5	50	600
,,	Lindenstruth, L. (13)	2	510	420	30	8		1	41	10	3				3	69	350			
,,	Linß, A.	1	170	168	23				64	6					1	16	180			
,,	Long, A. J.	6	1000	982	36	18		30	72						2	30	320	8	60	480
,,	Marklen, A. B.	2	312	297	19	3		1	21	7	5				2	36	274			
,,	Mayne, J. W.	2	625	568	41	5		2	35	8	2							5	40	500
,,	Mayser, F. P. (14)	1	1070	590	35	23			47	14	40				1	53	460			
,,	Meyer, J. H.	1	260	200	23				36	10					1	20	125			
,,	Miller, E. L.	1	108	94		10	1		11		5				1	23	125			
,,	Miller, O. D.	4	805	619	34	6	2	1	68	20	10				2	49	436	2	31	348
,,	Müller, G. P.	1	145	128	13			1	19	2	3				1	17	145			
,,	Müller, W. A. C.	2	550	389	20	8	1	1	24	8	27				2	67	350			
,,	Myers, W. H.	1	506	400	30	36	20	7	15		2				1	37	4 5			

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Pastoren.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Erwachsene.	Kinder.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Reß, J.	2	324	260	14	6	2	12	23	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	49	353	.....	.....	.....
„ Reimann, J. H.	3	670	400	8	.....	.....	1	30	15	2	.....	.....	.....	3	30	250	.....	.....	.....
„ Ridecker, J. F.	1	800	750	63	22	1	2	164	17	3	.....	3	78	1	70	900	.....	.....	.....
„ Riemann, Joh., (15)	1	149	*106	.....	1	7	.....	17	8	1	.....	.....	.....	1	18	120	.....	.....	.....
„ Ochsenford, S. E.	3	680	424	15	2	.....	1	31	8	7	.....	.....	.....	1	21	165	2	27	155
„ Ohl, J. F.	3	821	688	11	9	1	2	44	11	41	2	.....	.....	1	24	200	1	18	65
„ Pfatteicher, Ph.	1	450	450	16	6	.....	.....	61	15	5	.....	.....	.....	1	28	400	.....	.....	.....
„ Pflüger, A. P.	2	812	523	47	6	2	8	45	9	4	.....	.....	.....	2	29	309	.....	.....	.....
„ Pflüger, D. E.	5	496	372	23	.....	1	.....	28	13	2	.....	.....	.....	1	11	45	2	43	280
„ Pfuhl, J. G.	1	450	398	19	10	.....	.....	42	14	30	1	.....	.....	1	25	300	.....	.....	.....
„ Pohle, E. H.	1	*200	182	17	4	1	1	49	3	4	1	.....	.....	1	21	176	.....	.....	.....
„ Rath, W.	2	585	510	39	1	.....	.....	42	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	125	.....	.....	.....
„ Rath, M. D.	2	264	245	.....	.....	1	.....	11	6	3	.....	.....	.....	1	27	212	1	23	215
„ Reed, D. E.	1	130	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	4	3	.....	.....	.....	1	20	150	.....	.....	.....
„ Reed, E. L.	1	245	177	21	13	.....	2	17	6	3	.....	.....	.....	1	30	350	.....	.....	.....
„ Reiter, D. H.	4	1000	900	100	15	3	.....	55	20	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	60	400
„ Reitz, J. J.	2	500	384	31	.....	.....	.....	14	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	76	450
„ Renninger, J. S.	5	1535	1440	48	.....	.....	.....	106	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	227	1727
„ Repaß, S. A., D. D.	1	550	443	15	13	6	.....	21	8	2	.....	.....	.....	2	65	742	.....	.....	.....
„ Rieb, W.	1	600	570	60	25	10	.....	154	24	2	.....	1	85	1	25	380	.....	.....	.....
„ Röder, R. D.	1	158	143	8	19	5	3	20	1	1	2	.....	.....	1	25	242	.....	.....	.....
„ Sandt, C. E.	3	786	623	36	28	29	3	62	26	15	.....	.....	.....	1	19	163	2	39	437
„ Sanner, D.	3	450	350	26	3	1	.....	49	20	15	.....	.....	.....	1	25	160	1	5	50
„ Schäffer, Wm. Ashmead	1	197	168	9	17	.....	.....	10	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	22	200	.....	.....	.....

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Ehrw.	Schäffer, Geo. J.	4	100	86	25	25		3	11						1	10	82	2		
„	Schantz, F. J. F.	2	530	433	32	8	1		27	13	12				2	32	260			
„	Schimpf, M.	1	118	80	9				29		4				1	12	85			
„	Schindel, J. D., (16)	3	1191	950	128	28	18	3	124	18	13				2	51	715	3	47	540
„	Schlenker, J. D.	2	553	430	49	7	1		41	12					1	30	330	3	30	250
„	Schmauk, B. W. }																			
„	Schmauk, T. E. (17) }	2	1220	650	56	20	1	8	113	21	5				4	125	1111			
„	Schmidt, J. H.	3	*200	150	10	4	4		54	14	48				1	15	139			
„	Schmieder, H. C., (18)																			
„	Schmucker, B. M., D. D.	1	300	275	6	6		1	10	2	2				1	40	250			
„	Schöner, W. F.	2	723	576	57	24	9		58	12	5				2	54	350			
„	Seaman, G. S.	1	213	155	10	1	3	6	23	7	2				1	24	170			
„	Seiß, J. A., D. D., LL. D.	1	306	220	4	2	2	3	6	3					1	26	177			
„	Semmel, H. E.	3	385	330	11				6	7					2	30	200	1	15	150
„	Sheffer, J. A., (19)														2	26	243			
„	Sibole, E. E.	1	295	200	9		1	3	6	10	10				1	35	287			
„	Sibole, J. L.	1	607	550	31	23	2	2	51	14	15				1	*66	920			
„	Smith, Enoch	1	591	425	40	18	3		22	6					1	40	400			
„	Smith, D. P.	3	1045	953	25	6		9	25	18	5				2	38	300	1	19	150
„	Smoll, B. S.	3	650	575					44	8								7	75	700
„	Smoll, E. H.	3	700	616	70	2		3	53	14	6							6	75	500
„	Späth, Prof. A., D. D.†	1	*450	*450								*3	*110		*1	*68	*610			
„	Spieker, G. F., D. D.	1	912	847	59	63		2	43	15	2				1	49	723			
„	Stetler, D. M.	6	538	485	82				31	12					2	22	115	7	91	494
„	Strauß, A. M.	4	744	630	39				58	14	18				3	24	300	2		
„	Strauß, W. H.	4	1577	800	29				49	9										
„	Strodach, H. B., (20)	1	700	644	61	100			86	25			3	150	2	80	1000			
„	Strunk, G. A.	3	322	268	12	14			38	5	9				2	28	160			
„	Stump, Jos.	1	24	20					3		2				1	8	30			
„	Stupp, S. B.	4	400	375	18			5	49	17								4	40	500
„	Trexler, D. D.	4	500	450	23				57	11								5	50	350
„	Umbenhen, J. H.	1	115	81	8	4		4	6	4	4				1	16	100			
„	Upp, J. D.	1	345	222	20	15	1	2	38	1	2				1	33	230			
„	Walter, A. W.	1	264	207	30	25	3	1	21	2					1	27	325			
„	Walz, F.	3	1020	1010	22	10	2	2	42	20	15	1								
„	Wampole, J. F.	6	1052	848	52	6	3	2	48	10	4							10	100	1000

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	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicantenzahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Erwachsene.	Kinder.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Weddell, A. J. (21)	1	386	270	.....	.....	1	.....	7	4	13	.....	.....	.....	1	37	274	.....	.....	.....
„ Weickfel, H.	8	925	745	39	.....	.....	1	75	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	12	60	7	60	615
„ Weiskotten, F. W.	1	*900	850	92	34	1	.....	192	17	.....	.....	2	125	1	90	800	.....	.....	.....
„ Welder, B. G.	5	860	705	32	6	3	17	58	20	9	.....	.....	.....	3	30	180	2	24	250
„ Wendel, J. H. R.	1	170	75	.....	9	.....	.....	15	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	14	80	.....	.....	.....
„ Wenrich, S.	3	325	213	13	.....	.....	4	25	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	20	165	.....	.....	.....
„ Wischan, F.	1	450	400	63	.....	.....	2	132	68	20	.....	4	250	1	140	750	.....	.....	.....
„ Wisser, P. P.	2	275	239	18	20	.....	.....	17	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	24	175
„ Wuchter, A. C.	1	140	100	15	.....	3	1	23	3	10	.....	.....	.....	1	11	85	.....	.....	.....
„ Yount, A. L.	1	325	306	29	48	4	12	38	3	16	.....	.....	.....	1	17	200	.....	.....	.....
„ Zentner, J.	1	300	290	14	2	.....	.....	25	8	3	.....	.....	.....	1	20	175	.....	.....	.....
„ Ziegenfuß, S. A.	2	595	454	9	6	1	.....	15	10	1	.....	.....	.....	1	34	209	3	81	535
„ Zimmerman, R. M.	1	270	270	18	45	2	.....	.....	5	30	.....	.....	.....	1	37	275	.....	.....	.....
„ Zizelmann, P. (22)	1	400	400	27	.....	28	.....	92	9	8	.....	.....	.....	1	30	275	.....	.....	.....
„ Zweizig, B. D.	8	1950	1800	122	.....	.....	.....	248	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	100	900
Oley Parochie des † Ehrw. T. T. Jäger	5	*995	*970	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*10	*110	*850
Goldsboro, (23)	2	38	23	3	.....	.....	.....	5	2	2	.....	.....	.....	2	12	65	.....	.....	.....
St. Paulus, Catasauqua (Vakant) (24)	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Neu Jerusalem, Leithsville, Northampton Co., (25)	1	150	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	15	100
St. Johns, Columbia	1	140	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	29	200	.....	.....	.....
Christus Mission Phil'a (26)	2	114	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	30	290	.....	.....	.....
Blaue Kirche Parochie (27)	3	600	437	52	1	1	.....	8	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doylestown	1	166	129	2	.....	.....	.....	10	5	1	.....	.....	.....	1	18	98	.....	.....	.....

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Tabelle No. 2.

Beiträge der Gemeinden im Synodal-Jahr 1887—1888.

„Auflage" für 1888 und 1889 ist die von der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit aufgestellte Summe für das letzte und das neue Synodal-Jahr.

„Gemeinde-Auslagen" — „für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt" bezeichnen alle regelmäßigen Ausgaben für den Gehalt des Pastors, Organisten, Lehrer, Chor, Kirchendiener u. dergl. — „Für besondere Zwecke", schließt Gelder in sich, die für Bau und Reparaturen von Kirchen und Pfarrhäusern und dergleichen und zur Abtragung von Kirchenschulden verausgabt wurden.

„In der Auflage eingeschlossene Beiträge" sind solche, die in die Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeits-Kasse, für Erziehung, Einheimische Mission unserer Synode, Wittwen- und Waisen-Fond u. s. w., sowie für „Heiden Mission" einbezahlt werden.

Unter **„In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge"** schließt „Theologisches Seminar" alle Beiträge für den Baufond, für laufende Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Mühlenberg Collegium" alle Beiträge für allgemeine Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Waisenhaus" alle Beiträge in Geld oder Werth der übersandten Gaben an das Waisenhaus in Germantown; — **„Einheimische Mission"** — englisch oder deutsch — alle Gaben, welche den beiden Missions-Committeen des General-Concils oder bedürftigen Gemeinden desselben, aber außerhalb unserer Synode, überreicht wurden — in sich.

Mit **„Allgemeinen Zwecken"** sind Beiträge für wohlthätige Anstalten oder Zwecke von einem allgemeinen Charakter, oder die außerhalb unserer Kirche stehen, bezeichnet.

Pastoren.	Auflage für 1888—89.	Auflage für 1887—88.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag 1887—88.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	In der Auflage eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	In der Auflage eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für Heidenmission.	In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für das Theologische Seminar.	In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für das Mühlenberg Collegium.	In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für das Waisenhaus.	In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge. Englische Einheimische Mission.	In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge. Deutsche Einheimische Mission.	Beiträge für allgemeine Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Ehrw. Ander, T. R.	$10	$10	.....	$541 40	$ 400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$15 00	.....	$956 40
„ Andres, W. J.	140	125	$135 00	1100 00	50 00	125 00	$10 00	$20 00	36 34	.....	$10 00	.....	.....	1351 34
„ Anspach, J. M.	160	150	125 00	2500 00	300 00	75 00	50 00	40 00	65 00	$20 00	20 00	.....	100 00	3170 00
„ Apple, B. F.	35	30	31 58	675 00	1800 00	31 58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2506 58
„ Bartholomew, D. D.	60	50	55 00	800 00	300 00	45 00	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1160 00
„ Bauer, E. A.	130	120	81 56	1191 99	2500 00	81 56	.....	100 00	10 00	5 00	.....	10 50	.....	3899 05
„ Becker, J. L.	150	125	133 00	1350 00	.....	133 00	.....	.....	69 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1552 00

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Pastoren.	Auflage für 88—89.	Auflage für 87—88.	Ueberbrachter Beitrag für 87—88.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt.	Gemeinde-Auslagen. Für besondere Zwecke.	In der Auflage eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit.	In der Auflage eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für Heidenmission.	In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge. Für das Theologische Seminar.	Für das Mühlenberg-Collegium.	Für das Waisenhaus.	Englische Einheimische Mission.	Deutsche Einheimische Mission.	Beiträge für allgemeine Zwecke.	Gesammt-Summe.
Ehrw. Behrens, C. A.	$ 10	.....	.....	$400 00	$ 900 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 4 40	.....	$1304 40
„ Bender, F. P.	100	$ 75	$ 75 00	2799 66	2768 51	$75 00	.....	600 00	25 00	343 00	.....	25 00	494 14	7130 31
„ Berkemeier, F.	140	125	128 45	.....	.....	128 45	.....	173 12	.....	45 00	.....	.....	.....	301 57
„ Berndt, F. K.	130	125	135 00	1012 50	1135 05	125 00	$10 00	.....	17 47	6 00	.....	.....	20 95	2326 97
„ Bernheim, G. D., D. D.	30	25	13 50	1000 00	1855 00	13 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2868 50
„ Bieber, J. W.	250	200	253 00	1195 00	.....	253 00	.....	.....	31 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1479 00
„ Bieber, W. J.	160	150	173 00	805 00	.....	167 00	6 00	.....	12 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	990 50
„ Binder, C. K.	30	20	25 00	762 90	8876 59	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9664 49
„ Breinig, A. J. B.	45	40	39 00	600 00	100 00	39 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	739 00
„ Brownmiller, E. S.	80	60	75 00	1300 00	.....	60 00	15 00	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1435 00
„ Brügel, G. A.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00
„ Bruning, H. H.	50	40	46 80	550 00	60 00	46 80	.....	8 50	7 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	672 33
„ Bürmeyer, F. F.	.....	.....	10 00	1197 67	421 75	.....	10 00	.....	.....	26 00	.....	.....	100 00	1755 42
„ Cassaday, E. R.	25	15	58 80	666 88	600 00	23 80	35 00	47 45	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1378 13
„ Coleman, D. L. [1]	.....	25	25 00	500 00	18 00	25 00	.....	.....	5 00	25 00	.....	5 00	.....	578 00
„ Creßmann, J. J.	140	125	125 00	1400 00	500 00	100 00	25 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2125 00
„ Darmstätter, J.	40	30	30 00	700 00	280 00	10 00	20 00	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	20 00	1040 00
„ Darmstätter, J. A.	70	70	45 00	960 00	280 00	25 00	20 00	.....	5 00	10 00	.....	24 00	25 00	1349 00
„ Deck, J. P.	225	200	280 00	1915 00	1582 07	200 00	80 08	930 00	100[50]	125 27	132 68	.....	125 00	5190 52
„ Dizinger, J. C.	60	50	91 47	1632 00	500 00	50 00	41 47	260 00	10 00	63 30	.....	14 73	.....	2121 50
„ Droppa, A. C.	.....	.....	.....	175 00	843 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1018 00
„ Drumheller, C. K.	30	20	20 00	907 00	565 00	20 00	.....	16 75	8 20	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1526 95
„ Early, J. W.	40	40	23 50	675 00	25 00	13 50	10 00	.....	14 00	.....	10 00	10 00	.....	757 50
„ Erb, J. N. S.	140	130	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00	120[00]	.....	5 00	.....	.....	825 00

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"	Erdmann, A. E. [2]	50	75	20	66	1120	00	$ 300	00			$20	66			6	00					72	03	1518	71
"	Fegley, H. R.	160	150	184	49	1174	00	150	00	154	49	30	00	38	00	10	00	58	66	20	00			1635	15
"	Fegley, H. S.	130	125	130	28	1350	00	700	00	86	84	43	44			37	05	1	00			5	00	2223	33
"	Finfrock, A. [3]	200	200	133	35	1050	00	1250	00	133	35			136	00					38	25			2607	60
"	Fluck, F. J. C.	30	25	25	00	1237	95	1068	83	25	00							20	00	7	00	245	90	2604	68
"	Fogelman, D. L., [4]	35				800	00																	800	00
"	Foust, G. D.	35	25	25	00	962	75	475	00	25	00					18	00							1480	75
"	Foust, J. J.	25		12	00					12	00													12	00
"	Fox, W. B.	220	200	230	00	1475	00			200	00	30	00			350	00	24	00	26	00			2105	00
"	Fox, J. B.	250																							
"	Francis, S. A. K.	135	125	100	00	2000	00			100	00			325	00	32	00	75	00	15	00	70	00	2517	00
"	Fry, C. L.	650	600	655	00	3226	35	3603	61	625	00	30	00			85	48	185	00	625	00			8380	44
"	Fry, J., D. D. [5]	850	800	850	00	4550	00	1400	00	650	00	200	00	25	00	226	45	100	00	430	00	500	00	8081	45
"	Gable, J. H.	165	150	110	88	1750	00	2000	00	110	88			135	00	5	00							4000	88
"	Gardner, G. C.	50	40	61	73	1072	12	205	00	41	73	20	00	135	80	35	00	100	00	15	00	20	00	27	90	1672	55
"	Gardner, G. F.	30	20	28	00	780	00	250	00	18	00	10	00	7	00	12	80	50	00							1127	80
"	Gauker, J. W.	40	40	29	59	650	00	1000	00	14	59	15	00													1679	59
"	Geiger, W. H.	75	65	65	48	450	00	1300	00	55	43	10	00	50	00	18	00	10	00			5	00			1898	43
"	Geissinger, D. H.	400	400	325	00	2987	69	2334	89	300	00	25	00	200	00	80	00	91	10	35	00					6053	68
"	Gerhart, E. H.	25	20	17	04	1123	50	400	00	11	57	5	47			9	00	2	05							1551	59
"	Gerlach, R.	75	50	80	00	1808	97	1207	03	50	00	30	00	50	00	10	00	25	00			53	00			3234	00
"	German, J. P.	75	70	60	00	900	00	700	00	60	00			31	00	13	00									1704	00
"	Geschwind, L. H.	30	25	17	00	688	00	10	00	17	00			3	25									52	00	770	25
"	Gieß, H.	150	150	160	00	1500	00	475	00	150	00	10	00					10	30							2145	30
"	Glasow, P. F. A.	40	30	30	19	777	80	257	37	16	00	14	19									28	40			1093	06
"	Gräpp, A. R. J.	30	30	43	39	645	72	299	50	25	46	17	93			5	04	18	00							1011	65
"	*Gräpp, J. C.	10																							
"	Grahn, H. [6]	140	125	136	10	3420	71	1719	00	57	10	79	00	825	00	10	00	225	50			139	50	106	00	6581	81
"	Groh, L.	225	200	200	00	1600	00	100	00	200	00					10	00	12	00	140	00			190	00	2252	00
"	Gruhler, J.	40	25	35	00	656	37			15	00	20	00			17	00	5	00					5	00	718	37
"	Günsch, G. F. W.	60	50	47	35					37	35	10	00													47	35
"	Haßler, J. W.	125	125	86	00	1000	00			86	00					7	00			10	00					1108	00
"	Haupt, C. E.	75	75	25	00	1450	00					25	00					22	00	10	00					1507	00
"	Heck, J.	25				980	00	800	00									5	00			25	75	210	50	2021	25
"	Heilig, Th.	30	25	25	00	575	00	30	00	25	00			125	00											755	00
"	Heilman, U. P.	140	120	52	00	1050	00			40	00	12	00	50	00	75	90	26	10	5	00	5	00			1264	00
"	Hemfath, C. H.	150	100	135	00	1457	55	732	77	100	00	35	00			65	00	11	85	30	00	115	00			2547	17

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Ehrw. Henkel, D. M. D. D.	$30	$25	$20 00	$410 00	$425 00	$20 00								$855 00
„ Henry, S. S.	40	25	35 83	600 00	150 00	15 83	$20 00							785 83
„ Hillpot, J. R.	110	100	90 45	800 00	4000 00	90 00			25 78					4916 23
„ Hinterleitner, G. A., D.D.	125	100	100 00	1700 00	200 00	100 00		$40 00	49 00	$8 00		109 00	150 00	2356 00
„ Hirzel, C. J.	30	25	27 00	1065 14	1123 00	20 00	7 00	37 08	5 16	10 00	$19 00			2286 38
„ Horine, C. M.	225	200	100 00	2045 00	893 00		100 00	100 00	5 00	13 50	100 00			3256 50
„ Horne, A. R., D. D.	270	250	250 16	1600 00		250 16		20 00	33 00					2083 16
„ Humbert, D. K.	325	300	360 00			160 00	200 00							360 00
„ Huntzinger, F. K.	200	100	50 00	4500 00		50 00		20 50	10 59				100 00	4731 09
„ Isenschmid, P., M. D.	80	75	74 00	1131 00		25 00	49 00	11 00	18 00	78 00		15 00		1327 00
„ Jelden, F.	25	20	27 00	845 66	1048 07	20 00	7 00		10 45			10 35	3 00	1944 53
„ Keiter, W. D. C.	65		34 04	719 51	1525 61	34 04								2279 16
„ Kepner, D. K. [7]	300	225	281 59	2994 52	400 00	225 00	56 59	294 00	191 55		92 71			4254 37
„ Kline, J. J.	140	125	125 00	1150 00	210 00	125 00		45 00	15 28					1545 28
„ Klingensmith, U. J.	35	30	30 00	750 00	300 00	30 00		16 00	12 50	15 00				1123 50
„ Kohler, J.	55	50	50 00	550 00	800 00	25 00	25 00							1400 00
„ Kramlich, B. E. [8]	250	225	235 00	1500 00	600 00	225 00	10 00	300 00	40 00	15 00				2690 00
„ Kramlich, M. J.				100 00					4 30		5 00			109 30
„ Krotel, G. F., D.D., LL.D. [9]	550	500	500 00	7040 00		500 00			3600 00		500 00		1000 00	12640 00
„ Kuder, J. H.	85	75	167 00	1210 52	307 57	62 00	105 00	60 00	100 00	36 39	15 00			1896 48
„ Kühn, Conrad	85	75	50 00	1319 91	820 16	50 00		96 25	20 00	5 00		10 00		2321 32
„ Kündig, J. J. [10]	150	120		3726 26	3526 86								600 91	7854 03
„ Kuntz, D.	175	175	174 18	1375 25		144 18	30 00	50 00	31 00		15 00	15 00		1660 43
„ Kuntz, J. J.	125	115	115 00	980 00	850 00	115 00		50 00	10 00					2005 00

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Ehrw.	Kunkel, G. G.	$25	$25	$14 00	$935 40	$190 75	$14 00											$1140 15
„	Laird, S., D. D.	1100	1000	1362 25	4534 11	1282 88	1362 25		$55 00	460 75	604 17	459 52						8758 68
„	Lauer, W. C. L.	25	25	15 00	701 09	300 00	15 00		17 70									1033 79
„	Lazarus, J. W.	140	130	70 25	1250 00	1400 00	50 00	$20 25	165 00	23 00	14 00							2922 25
„	Leibensberger, J. D.	25	25	15 00	687 99	396 55	15 00											1099 54
„	Lenker, M. B.	15	15	12 00	538 00	242 00	12 00										60 00	852 00
„	Leopold, O.	200	200	75 00	1200 00	21000 00	50 00	25 00	20 00	23 26		25 00						22343 26
„	Lindenstruth, L.	70	60	60 00	1230 30	150 00	60 00		111 00	60 86	10 19				3 00	10 00		1635 35
„	Linß, A.	20	20	15 00	1043 61	100 00	10 00	5 00	100 00	5 00	180 00				15 00			1458 61
„	Long, A. J.	225	225	136 47	1500 00	5000 00	136 47		15 00	27 00							80 00	6708 47
„	Markley, A. B.	50	50	33 67	1021 88	378 85	33 67			30 76	7 00							1472 16
„	Mayne, J. W.	100	60	112 00	800 00		112 00		18 80	10 00								940 80
„	Mayser, F. P.	165	150	105 00	2700 00	1350 00	75 00	30 00	100 00	61 60	25 00				61 00			4402 60
„	Meyer, J. H.	50	50	40 00	770 00	100 00	40 00				8 70							918 70
„	Miller, E. L.	20	15	20 00	871 27	700 00	15 00	5 00			11 80							1603 07
„	Miller, O. D.	80	80	60 00	650 00	400 00	60 00		35 00	10 00	15 00						93 00	1263 00
„	Müller, G. P.	30	25	14 53	950 00		9 53	5 00	5 00	3 00	5 00							977 53
„	Müller, W. A. C.	75	75	33 16	1200 00		29 10	4 06	25 25	29 48	7 00	10 00		10 00				1314 89
„	Myers, W. H.	50	30	25 00	1700 00	2275 00	25 0											4000 00
„	Neff, J.	75	50	56 00	2036 81	867 00	50 00	6 00	89 75	28 08	21 01	18 00						3116 65
„	Neiman, J. H.	85	85	85 00	800 00		85 00			26 80								911 80
„	Niedecker, J. E.	750	700	1171 12	8995 42	589 81	711 02	460 10	469 92	200 00	1400 00	30 00	605 00		10 90			14551 27
„	Niemann, J.	30	20	25 00	700 00	600 00	25 00				5 00		5 00					1335 00
„	Ochsenford, S. E.	55	50	61 76	966 32	200 00	50 00	11 76	41 09	21 00								1290 17
„	Ohl, J. F.	125	10	88 57	1200 00	50 00	51 71	36 86	68 00	35 38								1441 95
„	Peters, H.	300																
„	Pfatteicher, Ph.	200	175	175 00	2421 15	2500 00	175 00			25 00	100 00							5221 15
„	Pflüger, A. P.	110	100	88 62	1010 00	50 00	53 62	35 00		22 53	32 00							1203 15
„	Pflüger, O. E.	40	30	30 00	730 00	940 00	30 00		5 00	17 75	5 00							1727 00
„	Pfuhl, J. G.	65	50	60 00	1500 00	6000 00	60 00	10 00	15 00		12 00				21 00	260 00		7878 00
„	Pohle, E. H.	30	25	31 43	856 81	149 25	25 00	6 43		20 0	43 00				20 00	24 50		1144 99
„	Rath, W.	200	150	146 93	750 00		146 93			25 85								922 78
„	Rath, M. D.	60	50	115 92	400 00		115 92				37 20							553 12
„	Reed, D. E.	25	20	15 00	500 00		15 00		56 00									571 00
„	Reed, E. L.	45	40	40 00	970 0		40 00			10 00		10 60						1030 60
„	Reiter, D. H.	125	100	100 00	1700 00		100 00			100 00	60 00							1960 00
„	Reitz, J. J. [11]	100	125	30 25	1580 00	150 00	20 25	10 00										1760 25
„	Renninger, J. S. [12]	10	325	256 52	1675 00	562 00	256 52			58 57	5 00	6 52						2563 61

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Ehrw. Repaß, S. A., D. D.	$350	$300	$300 00	2600 00	$125 00	225 00	$75 00	1025 00	129 25	$60 00	219 61	.....	.....	16833 86
„ Rieb, W.	125	100	125 00	3412 75	500 00	65 00	60 00	.....	50 00	25 00	.....	50 00	.....	4152 75
„ Röder, R. D.	30	25	25 00	1059 37	362 00	25 00	.....	125 00	10 50	138 50	.....	.....	.....	1720 37
„ Sandt, C. E.	85	75	98 28	1096 00	2567 86	88 28	10 00	.....	11 25	.....	20 00	.....	.....	3893 39
„ Sanner, D.	50	50	14 00	.....	800 00	14 00	.....	.....	20 00	15 00	.....	10 00	.....	859 00
„ Schäffer, Wm. Ashmead	55	40	161 28	1836 90	979 73	52 25	109 03	.....	272 52	155 00	107 91	.....	4 07	3517 41
„ Schantz, F. J. F. [13]	140	125	125 00	1000 00	.....	125 00	.....	337 50	60 00	8 00	20 00	10 00	.....	1560 50
„ Schimpf, M.	30	25	10 00	700 00	1230 00	10 00	.....	37 00	5 00	25 47	.....	.....	.....	2007 47
„ Schindel, J. D. [14]	175	160	136 00	1800 00	8876 00	136 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10812 00
„ Schlenker, J. D.	35	30	35 00	850 00	1395 55	30 00	5 00	.....	22 75	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2313 30
„ Schmauk, B. W. [15] „ Schmauk, T. E.	450	400	317 29	4989 33	205 00	117 29	200 00	.....	150 08	102 66	588 09	81 66	77 00	6500 11
„ Schmidt, J. H.	15	15	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
„ Schmucker, B. M., D. D.	250	200	240 00	1950 00	.....	190 00	50 00	6 00	52 25	108 55	20 00	.....	.....	2376 80
„ Schöner, W. F.	110	100	130 75	1400 00	467 00	98 50	32 25	.....	21 65	12 30	.....	.....	10 00	2041 70
„ Seaman, G. S.	90	75	84 53	860 86	.....	79 22	5 31	.....	11 25	.....	13 90	.....	5 00	975 54
„ Seiß, J. A., D.D., LL.D.	.....	.....	251 24	5771 00	1536 38	200 00	51 24	.....	45 00	80 00	100 58	.....	550 00	8404 40
„ Semmel, H. E.	40	30	32 00	800 00	.....	.....	32 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	837 00
„ Sibole, E. E.	525	500	363 72	3874 00	.....	213 72	150 00	40 00	250 00	230 00	771 49	.....	1115 99	6645 20
„ Sibole, J. L.	175	150	140 00	5580 49	.....	100 00	40 00	.....	31 61	125 00	85 00	.....	.....	5982 10
„ Smith, Enoch	165	150	186 59	1748 42	1330 47	150 62	35 97	50 00	33 31	5 00	63 77	.....	.....	3417 56
„ Smith, D. P.	225	175	220 00	2500 00	7000 00	175 00	45 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	9770 00
„ Smoll, B. S. [16]	70	60	67 36	1000 00	.....	60 00	7 36	100 00	5 00	.....	8 00	.....	230 05	1405 41
„ Smoll, E. H.	100	80	86 58	1000 00	100 00	40 00	46 58	100 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1301 58

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Ehrw.	*Späth, Prof. A., D. D.	$200	150																			
,,	Spieker, G. F., D. D.	125	100	$148	90	1827	73	$3649	97	100	00	$48	90			167	79	20	00	20	00			$5834 39
,,	Stetler, D. M.	65	60	60	00	780	00	710	00	60	00					20	70	10	00					1580 70
,,	Strauß, A. M.	110	100	90	00			4000	00	90	00													4090 00
,,	Strauß, W. H.	135	125	125	00			900	00	115	00	10	00	$93	80	10	00							1128 80
,,	Strobach, H. B. [17]			100	00	4905	99	2283	90	100	00					25	00					489	75	4804 64
,,	Strunz, G. A.	35	30	30	00	825	00	170	00	30	00					5	00							1030 00
,,	Stump, Jos. [18]					174	50	29	25															203 75
,,	Stupp, S. B.	60	50	50	00	900	00			50	00					6	60	3	25					959 85
,,	Tregler, D. D.	75	65	65	00	500	00			65	00			150	00									715 00
,,	Umbenhen, J. H.	20	15	15	00	679	00			15	00					13	00			15	75	5	00	727 75
,,	Upp, J. D.	60	50	50	00	817	45	368	35	50	00			100	00	22	50	5	25	10	00			1373 55
,,	Walter, A. W.	15				811	64	1653	14							5	00							2469 78
,,	Walz, F.	210	200	82	58	1200	00			42	58	40	00			41	75	25	00	20	00	20	00	1389 33
,,	Wampole, J. F.	100	85	85	00	1050	00	100	00	85	00					30	00	1	00					1266 00
,,	Webdell, A. J.		250	173	10	2069	89	311	25	173	10							1000	00					3554 24
,,	Weickfel, H.	80	65	30	00	660	00	2162	00	20	00	10	00	63	50	5	00	15	00	10	00	10	00	2955 50
,,	Weiskotten, F. W. [19]	325	300	133	66	3579	18	4525	24	108	66	25	00			100	72	600	00	15	00	60	00	9013 80
,,	Welder, B. G.	125	100	100	00	1100	00	300	00	100	00					55	00							1555 00
,,	Wendel, H.	20		15	00	800	00	6000	00	15	00													6815 00
,,	Wenrich, S.	15	10	15	00	850	00			10	00	5	00			5	22			6	23			876 45
,,	Wischan, F.	500	500	152	50	5035	63	3000	00	92	50	60	00	17	11			500	00			325	00	9030 24
,,	Wisser, P. P.			27	43	250	00			27	43					10	00							287 43
,,	Wuchter, A. C.	20	15	18	40	479	01			15	00	3	40											497 41
,,	Yount, A. L.	40	20	92	00	1600	00	1100	00	62	00	30	00	52	00	6	00	12	00	13	00			2875 00
,,	Zentner, J.	25	20	20	00	900	00	300	00	20	00													1220 00
,,	Ziegenfuß, S. A.	160	150	158	16	1345	66	475	00	95	41	62	75	27	00	60	75	10	00	22	35			2098 92
,,	Zimmermann, R. M.	30	25	45	00	1710	24	402	25	25	00	20	00	92	71									2250 20
,,	Zizelmann, P.	75	75	10	00	879	00	1202	00	10	00							25	00			25	00	2141 00
,,	Zweizig, B. D.	250	200	125	85	2500	00	1500	00	92	85	33	00			31	75	5	00	34	15			4196 75
Oley-Parochie, des † P. Jäger		150																						
Catasauqua, St. Paulus		125																						
St. Johns, Columbia, (A. M. Mehrkam)		25	20	25	00	635	99	615	88	25	00													1276 87
Centre Square		25																						
Doylestown		20				495	00							80	00									575 00
Blaue Kirche-Parochie		125		38	25					38	25													38 25
Neu-Jerusalems (Apples) [20]				12	69					12	69					2	25					11	65	26 59

*) Sandte keinen Bericht.

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Anmerkungen zu den Tabellen.

Tabelle No. 1.

(1) Der Pastor hält Kinderlehre in beiden Gemeinden und Parochialschule in Riverside.

(2) Die 2 Personen, welche „von andern Gemeindeu" aufgenommen wurden, waren früher Glieder der lutherischen Kirche, aber lange Zeit ohne kirchliche Verbindung.

(3) Bericht bis zum 10. November 1887.

(4) Bericht für Centre Square bis 8. März 1888.

(5) Hält Kinderlehre jeden Sonntag Nachmittag. Durchschnittsbesuch 100.

(6) Der Missionar bedient noch 6 Predigtplätze.

(7) Bericht seit dem 15. April 1888.

(8) Von den 10, welche „aus andern Gemeinden" aufgenommen wurden, waren 6 frühere Glieder der lutherischen Kirche.

(9) Hält Kinderlehre. Durchschnittsbesuch 50.

(10) Die Pastoren J. J. Kündig und H. Hellwege berichten zusammen.

(11) Der Pastor hält die Parochial-Schule.

(12) Von den 29 „aus andern Gemeinden" Aufgenommenen waren 23 frühere Glieder der lutherischen Kirche.

(13) Unter den 30 Confirmierten war eine Convertitin aus der römisch-kathol. Kirche.

(14) Der Pastor ertheilt Samstags Religionsunterricht.

(15) Die Gemeinde hat seit Kurzem eine Abendschule, welche 22 Kinder zählt und vom Pastor geleitet wird.

(16) Der Bericht über Gemeinden, Glieder und Communikanten ist für des Pastors jetzige Parochie; das übrige für Catasauqua.

(17) Die Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk berichten zusammen.

(18) Die Pastoren F. Wischan und H. C. Schmieder berichten zusammen.

(19) Pastor Scheffer bedient keine Gemeinde.

(20) Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zu der Synode.

(21) Ehrw. A. J. Weddel ist seit dem 1. Oktober 1888 Pastor Emeritus; am 1. Juni 1888 trat der neuerwählte Pastor H. Peters sein Amt an der Gemeinde an.

(22) Die 28 aus andern Gemeinden Aufgenommenen sind Familien. Ebenfalls Verlust von 8 durch Wegzug.

(23) Diese Parochie wird von Pastor Th. Heilig regelmäßig versorgt.

(24) Siehe Anmerkung 16.

(25) Pastor Dr. Wackernagel bediente diese Gemeinde regelmäßig in der Zwischenzeit von der Resignation von Past. W. Rath bis zu der Installation des jetzigen Pastors E. A. Yehl.

(26) Diese Mission wurde von Candidat H. Weigand bedient.

(27) Pastor E. A. Yehl bediente diese Parochie vor seiner Ordination. Die von ihm berichteten Amtshandlungen sind von benachbarten Pastoren verrichtet worden.

Zahlen mit einem * versehen, sind, da für die betreffenden Rubriken von den Pastoren nichts angegeben war, dem letztjährigen Bericht entnommen.

Tabelle No 2.

[1] Bericht für Centre Square bis 8. März 1888.

[2] Die $72.05 wurden für die Mission in Penn Argyl verausgabt.

[3] Eck $29.95; Hoft $29.50; Blauberg $20.05; Womelsdorf $40.72; und Sonntagschule $8.63, und $49.35. Gesammtsumme $128.85. An den Schatzmeister bezahlt $133.35.

[4] Bericht seit dem 1. April 1888.

[5] $400 wurden an Ehrw. C. J. Bickel, Pastor der Trinitatis-Kapellen bezahlt.

[6] Der Beitrag für Heidenmission schließt ein $5 von der Gemeindeschule.

[7] $92.71 für Englische Einheimische Mission ist Beitrag der Sonntagschule.

[8] Der Beitrag für allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit schließt ein die Summe von $50, welche an Student C. F. Dry in Philadelphia-Seminar bezahlt wurde.

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[9] Die Gemeinde trug $1000 bei zur Unterstützung des Pastors der Epiphanias-Gemeinde, Ehrw. F. F. Bürmeyer. Der während des Jahres einbezahlte Beitrag für das Theologische Seminar konnte im Bericht nicht genau angegeben werden.

[10] $600.91 unter „Allgemeine Zwecke" schließt in sich alle Beiträge für wohlthätige Zwecke. Im Bericht wird nicht gesagt, wie viel für die einzelnen Zwecke gegeben wurde.

[11] Bericht seit November 1887.

[12] In Folge der Theilung der Parochie kamen verschiedene Gelder in die Hände Pastor Schindels und sind im Bericht nicht eingeschlossen.

[13] Der Beitrag für Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit schließt in sich die Summe von $30 von der Friedens-Sonntagschule in Myerstown für die Erziehung eines Knaben in Indien. Der Beitrag für Englische Einheimische Mission schließt ein $7 von derselben Schule für die Fargo-Mission.

[14] Bericht für Catasauqua.

[15] Die Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk berichten zusammen. Die Gemeinde in Annville gab $40.20 als Mühlenberg Gedächtnis-Opfer und $73.07 für Mission. Der Beitrag für Englische Einheimische Mission schließt in sich $400 für eine Mission in Florida.

[16] Der Beitrag unter „Allgemeine Zwecke" war für den Artman Memorial-Fond.

[17] Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.

[18] Bericht für 6 Monate.

[19] Die Gemeinde baute ein Schulhaus, welches nahezu $5000 kostete und am 15. Januar eingeweiht wurde.

[20] Bericht von Dr. Wackernagel. $1165 unter „Allgemeine Zwecke" war ein Beitrag für den Artman Memorial-Fond.

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Tabelle No. 3.

Gemeinde-Register,

enthaltend die Namen der Pfarrstellen, der sie bildenden Gemeinden, sowie Namen und Wohnort der Pastoren, nach Conferenzen und Counties geordnet.

Erste Conferenz.

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Bucks Co.		
Alt-Goschenhoppen	Alt-Goschenhoppen (Gemeinschaftlich) nahe Sumneytown und Zions nahe Telford, Franconia Twp., beide in Montgomery Co.; Keelersville, Bucks Co.	F. Walz	Sellersville.
Doylestown	St. Paulus, Doylestown	D. L. Coleman	Doylestown.
Hilltown	Hilltown und Bridgetown	F. Berkemeyer	Sellersville.
Quakertown	St. Johannis, Quakertown; St. Paulus, Applebachsville, Haycock Twp.; Kellers, Bedminster Twp.	J. F. Ohl	Quakertown.
Richlandtown	St. Johannis, Richlandtown; Zions, Zions Hill; Emanuels, Franconia Twp.; Christus, Trumbauersville.	D. H. Reiter	Richland Centre.
Sellersville	St. Michaelis, Sellersville; Ridge Valley, Rock Hill; Christus, Towamensing, Montgomery Co.	J. L. Becker	Sellersville.
Tinicum	St. Lukas, Dublin; Christus, Tinicum Twp.	Vakant	
Pfarrstellen..... 7	Gemeinden..... 18		
	Chester Co.		
Phönixville	St. Johannis, Phönixville	Vakant	
Pikeland	Ev.-luth. St. Peters, West Pikeland	U. J. Klingensmith	Kimberton.
Zions und Spring City	Zions, Ost Pikeland Twp.; Ev.-luth. Gem., Spring City, 3. u. Chestnut	J. Neff	Spring City.
Pfarrstellen..... 3	Gemeinden..... 4		
	Montgomery Co.		
Centre Square	St. Johannis, Centre Square	Vakant	
Emanuels	Emanuels, Pottstown	D. K. Kepner	Pottstown.
Falkner Schwamm	New Hanover (Schwamm); Christus (Huber), Douglas Twp.; Trinitatis, Bechtelsville, Berks Co.	J. J. Kline	New Hanover.
Gnaden, Norristown	Gnaden, Norristown	R. D. Röder	Norristown.

North Wales	St. Peters, Ecke Main und Church Str., North Wales	G. D. Foust	North Wales.
Sumneytown	Kielers, Frederick Twp.; St. Markus, Pennsburg; Sassamans, Douglas Twp.; St. Johannes, Sumneytown.	W. B. Fox	Sumneytown.
Trappe	Augustus, Trappe; St. Jacobus, Limerick; New Jerusalem, Schwenksville	O. P. Smith	Trappe.
Trinitatis, Norristown	Englische Trinitatis, Norristown	H. Peters A. J. Weddell, P. Emer.	Norristown. Norristown.
Verklärungs	Verklärungs, Ecke Hanover und Chestnut Str., Pottstown	B. M. Schmucker, D. D.	Pottstown.
Pfarrstellen 9	Gemeinden 16		

Philadelphia.

Advents	Englische Advent, 5. Straße oberhalb Cumberland	J. F. C. Fluck	504 West Cumberland.
Christus, Chestnut Hill	Englische Christus, Chestnut Hill	C. J. Hirzel	Chestnut Hill.
Christus Mission	Christus; St. Marcus	H. Weigand	Philadelphia.
Church of the Nativity	Church of the Nativity, Tioga	F. H. Gerhart	Philadelphia.
Emanuels	Deutsche Emanuels, 4. und Carpenter Str.	H. Grahn	1009 S. 4. Str.
Heilige Communion	Heilige Communion, S.-W. Ecke Broad und Arch Str.	J. A. Seiß, D.D., LL.D. F. F. Fry, Gehilfe	1338 Spring Garden St. Philadelphia.
Immanuels	Deutsche ev.-luth. Immanuels, Ecke Tackawanna u. Plum St., Frankford	M. Schimpf	4708 Tackawanna.
Manayunk	Deutsche ev.-luth. Gemeinde, Ecke Martin und Peschin Str.; Roxboro	G. C. Gardner	Roxboro.
St. Jacobus	St. Jacobus, Ecke 3. und Columbia Ave	F. W. Weiskotten	2126 Hancock Str.
St. Johns	Englische St. Johannes, Race Str. oberhalb 5.	E. E. Sibole	516 Brown Str.
St. Johannis	Deutsche St. Johannes, Ecke 15. und Ogden Str.	Prof. A. Späth, D. D.	1615 Girard Ave.
St. Lukas	St. Lukas, Ecke 7. und Montgomery Ave	J. L. Sibole	701 Berks Str.
St. Markus	St. Markus, Spring Garden oberhalb 13. Str.	S. Laird, D. D.	1314 Spring Garden St.
St. Michaelis	Deutsche St. Michaelis, Cumberland Str. und Trenton Ave	F. P. Bender	2304 Ost York Str.
St. Michaels, Germantown	Englische St. Michaels, Ecke Germantown Ave. und Church Str.	Prof. C. W. Schäffer, D.D., LL. D., P. Emer. J. P. Deck	4784 Germantown Ave. 5467 Germantown Ave.
St. Michaelis und Zions	Deutsche Zions, Franklin Straße unterhalb Vine	Prof. W. J. Mann, D. D., P. Emer. J. E Ridecker	114 Nord 34. Str. 228 Franklin Str.
St. Pauls	Englische St. Pauls, 22. Straße oberhalb Columbia Ave	R. M. Zimmerman	1814 Diamond Str.
St. Peters	Englische St. Peters, 9. und Reed Str.	C. R. Cassaday	842 Wharton Str.
St. Petri	Deutsche St. Petri, 42. und Myrtle Str.	E. H. Pohle	4307 Fairmount Ave.
St. Stephens	St. Stephens, Powelton Ave. unterhalb 40. Str.	W. A. Schäffer	Station G, Philadel'a.
St. Thomas, Germantown	Deutsche St. Thomas, Ecke Morton und Herrman Str.	Fr. Jelden	110 Duval Str.
Trinitatis	Englische Trinitatis, Rope Ferry Road unterhalb Passayunk Ave	S. A. K. Francis	1431 Süd 10. Str.
Trinitatis, Rising Sun	Dreieinigkeits, 16. Straße oberhalb Tioga	A. Linsz	1412 Tioga Str.
Pfarrstellen 23	Gemeinden 24		

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Delaware (Staat).		
Zions, Wilmington	Zions, Wilmington	P. Isenschmid, M. D.	Wilmington.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 1		
	New Jersey (Staat).		
Cramer Hill	Christus, Cramer Hill; Ev.-luth. Kirche, Woodbury, Gloucester Co.	E. Behrens	Cramer Hill.
Epiphanias, Camden	Englische Epiphanias, Ecke 7. und Market Str., Camden	C. K. Binder	503 Linden Str.
Millville	St. Pauls, Millville; St. Johannes, Vineland	A. R. J. Gräpp	Millville.
New Germany	Ev.-luth. Kirche, New Germany	H. H. Rippe	Hammonton, N. J.
Riverside	Riverside; Hainesport	T. N. Ander	Riverside.
St. Johannes	Deutsche St. Johannes, Newark	W. Rieb	140 Court, Newark.
Dreifaltigkeits, Camden	Deutsche Dreieinigkeits, Camden	J. C. Dizinger	427 Stevens, Camden.
Pfarrstellen 7	Gemeinden 10		
	New York (Staat).		
Epiphanias, New York	Epiphanias, 72 Ost 128. Str., New York City	F. F. Bürmeyer	60 Ost 122 Str.
Trinitatis, New York	Trinitatis, West 21. Str., New York City	G. F. Krotel, D. D.	49 West 21. Str.
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 2		
	Zweite Conferenz.		
	Carbon Co.		
Lehighton	Trinitatis, Lehighton	J. H. Kuder	Lehighton.
Mahoning	Ben Salems, Ost Penn; St. Johannes, Mahoning; Zions und St. Peters, West Penn, Schuylkill Co.	W. H. Strauß	Lehighton.
Mauch Chunk	St. Johannis, Mauch Chunk; St. Johannis, Ost Mauch Chunk	L. Lindenstruth	Mauch Chunk.
Summit Hill	St. Paulus, Summit Hill; Lansford und Hauto (Predigtplätze)	A. C. Wuchter	Summit Hill.
Weatherly	Zions, Weatherly; Christus, Penn Forrest Twp.; Ev.-luth. Kirche, Albrightsville, Kidder Twp.	Geo. G. Kunkel	Weatherly.
Weißport	St. Jacobs, Weißport; St. Matthäus, Nord Weißport: St. Paulus, Groß Creek; Ost Penn.	G. W. Sandt	Weißport.
Pfarrstellen 6	Gemeinden 15		

	Lackawanna Co.		
Scranton, Christus	Deutsche ev.-luth. Christus, Cedar Ave	J. C. Gräpp	809 Cedar Ave.
„ Trinity	Englische Trinity, Ecke Adams Ave. und Mulberry Str.	E. L. Miller	613 Mulberry Str.
„ Zions	Deutsche Zions, Mifflin Ave	P. F. Zizelmann	226 Mifflin Ave.
Pfarrstellen 3	Gemeinden 3		
	Lecha Co.		
Allentown, St. John's	St. Johns, 5. nahe Hamilton	S. A. Repaß, D. D.	Allentown.
„ St. Lukas	St. Lukas	J. S. Renninger	Allentown.
„ St. Michaels	St. Michaels, Südwest Ecke 9. und Turner	G. F. Spieker, D. D.	Allentown.
„ St. Peters	St. Peters, Ridge Road	G. F. Gardner	Allentown.
Catasauqua, Trinity	Englische Trinitatis, Catasauqua	D. M. Henkel, D. D.	Catasauqua.
„ Bezirk	St. Pauls, Howertown Road, Catasauqua	J. W. Mayne	Catasauqua.
Chestnut Hill u. Jerusalem	Chestnut Hill; Jerusalem, Bucks Co.	P. P. Wisser	Hokendauqua.
Fogelsville, Bezirk	Ziegels, Weißenburg; Morgenland, Low Hill; St. Johannes, Fogelsville; Cedar, Cedarville.	O. Leopold	Fogelsville.
Jerusalem und Zions	Jerusalem, Salisbury Twp.; Zions, Zionsville	W. Rath	Allentown.
Jordan	Jordan; Lowhill	F. K. Berndt	Stetlersville.
Lynnville	Ebenezer, New Tripoli; Jacobs, Jacksonville, Lynn Twp.; St. Peters, Lynnville, Lynn Twp.; St. Paulus, Seiberlingsville, Weißenburg Twp.; Jerusalem, Albany Twp., Berks Co.	H. S. Fegley	Lynnville.
Schecksville	Union, Nord White Hall Twp.; Heidelberg, Heidelberg Twp.; Friedens, Washingt. Twp., Slatedale.	J. B. Fox	Slatington.
Vater Jäger's	Schönersville, Hanover Twp., Lehigh Macungie Twp.; Friedensville, Saucon Twp.; Rittersville; Hanover Twp.	A. R. Horne, D. D.	Allentown.
Slatington	St. Johannes, Slatington; St. Johannes, Lower Towamensing	J. S. Erb	Slatington.
Salomon's	Salomons, Macungie, St. Johannes, Emaus	M. D. Rath	Allentown.
St. Peters	St. Peters, Ober-Milford	M. J. Kramlich	Fogelsville.
White Hall	Egypten und Mikley's, White Hall Twp.; St. Johannes, 3. Str., Coplay; St. Johannes, Laurys.	J. D. Schindel	Allentown.
Pfarrstellen 17	Gemeinden 38		
	Luzerne Co.		
Conyngham	Christus, Conyngham; St. Johannes, Butler Twp.; Emanuels, Dorrance; Trinitatis, Mountain Grove; St. Paulus, Black Creek; Ost Butler Kapelle	J. J. Kuntz	Conyngham.
Ecley Mission	St. Lucas, Freeland; St. Paulus, Ober Lehigh; St. Johannes; St. Peters.	J. H. Schmidt	Freeland.
Freeland, slavonische Miss.	Slavonische St. Peter-Paul, Freeland und 6 andere Missionsstationen.	Cyrill A. Droppa	Freeland.

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Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
Hazleton	Christus, Church Str., Hazleton	E. A. Bauer	Hazleton.
Pittston	Pittston; Hughestown; Ransom	G. A. Strunz	Pittston.
White Haven	St. Paulus, Berwick Str., zwischen Elmira und Church Str.	H. H. Bruning	White Haven.
Wilkesbarre	Englische St. Johns, Ecke Academy und River Str.	L. H. Geschwind	Wilkesbarre.
"	Deutsche St. Paulus, Ecke Süd Main und South Str.	Conrad Kühn	Wilkesbarre.
Pfarrstellen 8	Gemeinden 16		
	Monroe Co.		
Chestnut Hill	Salem und St. Johannes, Chestnut Hill Twp.; St. Matthäus, Eldred Twp.; Jerusalem, Towamensing Twp.	A. M. Strauß	Gilberts.
Smithfield	Zions, Middle Smithfield; St. Paulus, Smithfield	Theo. Heilig	Stroudsburg.
Stroudsburg	St. Johns	J. J. Foust	Stroudsburg.
Pfarrstellen 3	Gemeinden 7		
	Northampton Co.		
Bangor-Mission	Trinitatis, Bangor	B. F. Apple	Bangor.
Bath	St. Johannes, Main St., Bath; St. Johannes, Howertown, Allen Twp.	S. A. Ziegenfuß	Bath.
Bethlehem, Gnaden	Gnaden, Bethlehem	C. H. Hemsath	Bethlehem.
" Salems	Salems, Bethlehem	E. Smith	Bethlehem.
" Süd, St. Peters	St. Peters, Ecke Vine Str. und Packer Ave.; Jerusalems, Salisbury Twp., Lecha Co.	W. F. Schöner	Süd Bethlehem.
" West Trinitatis	Evang.-luth. Trinitatis, St. Thomas, Altonah	W. D. C. Keiter	West Bethlehem.
Blaue Kirche	Blaue Kirche, nahe Coopersburg; Chestnut Hill, nahe Limeport; Apple's, nahe Bingen.	E. A. Pehl	Coopersburg.
Cherryville	St. Paulus, nahe Cherryville; Emanuels, nahe Petersville	J. J. Reitz	Cherryville.
Easton, Christus	Christus, 4. und Ferry Str., Easton	J. M. Anspach	Easton.
" St. Johns	St. Johns, Ferry Str., Easton	D. H. Geissinger	Easton.
" St. Lukas	St. Lucas, Ecke 11. und Ferry Str., Easton	A. W. Walter	937 Ferry Str., Easton.
" Zions	Ev.-luth. Zions, 5. Str., Easton	P. Pfatteicher	Easton.
" Süd	Englische St. Paulus, Berwick Str. nahe Delaware Str.	J. D. Upp	Süd Easton.
Freemansburg	Ev.-Luth. Kirche, Freemansburg; St. Johannes, Williams Twp., St. Markus, Ainepville.	C. E. Sandt	Freemansburg.
Hellertown	Hellertown; Lower Saucon, Lower Saucon Twp.; Alt Williams	W. J. Bieber	Hellertown.
Moorestown u. s. w.	Salem Moorestown; Christus Moore Twp.; Zions, Allen Twp.; Snyders, Ost Allen Twp.	W. J Andres	Bath.

Mount Bethel	Christus; Mount Zion; St. Paulus; Bethel	J. W. Lazarus	Stone Church.
Nazareth	St. Johannes, Nazareth; Salem, Stockerton; Arndts, Forks Twp.	D. Kuntz	Nazareth.
Plainfield	St. Peters, (Millers); Union, Belfast; St. Johannes, Penn Argyl, Jehova, Buschkill Centre.	A. E. Erdman	Nazareth.
Trockenland	Trinitatis, Hecktown; St. Johannes, Farmersville	J. W. Bieber	Bethlehem.
Pfarrstellen..... 20	Gemeinden..... 42		

Susquehanna Co.

Great Bend	Ev.-Luth. St. Paulus, Great Bend	Jos. Stump	Great Bend.
Pfarrstellen..... 1	Gemeinden..... 1		

Wayne Co.

Goldsboro	Gnaden, Goldsboro'; St. Johannes, Clifton, Lackawanna Co.	Th. Heilig	Stroudsburg.
Pfarrstellen..... 1	Gemeinden..... 2		

New Jersey (Staat).

Phillipsburg	Englische Gnaden, Main Str., unterh. Stockton, Phillipsburg	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.	Phillipsburg.
"	Deutsche St. Johannes, Phillipsburg	J. Zentner	Phillipsburg.
Pfarrstellen..... 2	Gemeinden..... 2		

Dritte Konferenz.

Berks Co.

Amityville	Amityville, Amity Twp.; Friedensburg, Oley Twp.; Pricetown, Ruscombmanor Twp.	U. P. Heilman	Athol.
Bernville	Salem; Union; Shartelsville; Lenhartsville	D. D. Trexler	Bernville.
Boyertown	St. Johannes, Boyertown	L. Groh	Boyertown.
DeLongs	DeLongs; Lang Schwamm; Hill; Huffs; St. Pauls; Neu Jerusalem	D. K. Humbert	Bowers.
Grimsville	Friedens, Albany Twp.; Bethel Zions, Greenwich Twp.; Jerusalem, Greenwich Twp.	B. S. Smoll	Krumsville.
Hamburg	St. Johannes, Pine Str., Hamburg; Schumachersville; St. Paulus, Windsor Twp.; Neu Bethel, Albany Twp.	D. D. Miller	Hamburg.
Kutztown	Heilige Dreieinigkeit, Kutztown; Moselem (Zions), Richmond Twp.	W. A. C. Müller	Kutztown.
Kutztown und Bernville	St. Johannes, Kutztown; St. Johannes, Bernville; St. Paulus, North Heidelberg Twp.	J. J. Creßman	Kutztown.
Kramlich's	Maxatawny; Mertztown; Rockland; Fleetwood; Topton; Trexlertown, Lecha Co.	B. E. Kramlich	Kutztown.
Oley	Oley, Oley Twp.; Spieß, Elsaß Twp.; Schalters, Elsaß Twp.; Bern, Penn Twp.; Zion, Perry Twp.	Vakant	
Reading, Gnaden	Gnaden	W. H. Myers	Reading.

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
Reading, St. James	St. James, Ecke 5. und Chestnut Str.	M. C. Horine	Reading.
„ St. Lukas	St. Lukas, Reading; Elsaß, nahe Reading; St. Peters, Richmond Twp.	F. K. Huntzinger	Reading.
„ Trinity	Trinitatis, 6. und Washington Str.	J. Fry, D. D.	Reading.
„ Kapellen der Trinitatis.	Glaubens; Hoffnungs; Friedens	L. J. Bickel, (Gehilfe von Dr. Fry).	Reading.
„ Umgegend von	St. James, Geigertown, Union Twp.; Robeson, Robeson Twp.; Allegheny, Brecknock Twp.; St. Johannes, Gibraltar, Robeson Twp.; Wyomissing, Douglersville; St. Marcus, Birdsboro.	B. H. Gable	Reading.
„ Umgegend von	St. Johannes; Eplers; Schwarzwald; Trinitatis; St. Michaels; Bellemans; Maidencreek; Hinnerschitz.	B. D. Zweizig	Reading.
Stouchsburg	Christus, Stouchsburg; Rehrersburg; Elias, Newmanstown, Lebanon Co.; Millbach, Lebanon Co.; Schäfferstown; Little Tulpehocken Twp.	A. J. Long	Stouchsburg.
Womelsdorf	Zions, Womelsdorf; Daniels (Eck), Heidelberg Twp.; St. Paulus, (Host), Tulpehocken Twp.; Zions (Blauberg), Upper Tulpehocken Twp.	A. Finfrock	Womelsdorf.
Pfarrstellen..... 19	Gemeinden..... 68		
	Schuylkill Co.		
Frackville	Zions, Frackville	W. C. L. Lauer	Frackville.
Girardville	Zions, Girardville	J. D. Leibensperger	Girardville.
Minersville	Zions Minersville	G. F. W. Günsch	Minersville.
Orwigsburg	St. Paulus, Orwigsburg; Friedens, New Ringgold; St. Johannis, Auburn; Christus, McKeansburg; Zions, West Brunswick; St. Johannis, Lewistown.	Vakant	
Pottsville	Deutsche Trinitatis, Pottsville	G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.	Pottsville.
Ringtown	St. Johannes, Ringtown; Mt. Zions, Zions Grove; St. Peters, Nürnberg; Grace, Brandonville; Beaver, Beaver Valley, Columbia Co.	D. D. Bartholomew	Ringtown.
Shenandoah	Ev.-Luth. St. Johannes, Shenandoah	J. Gruhler	Shenandoah.
Schuylkill Haven	Jerusalems, Schuylkill Haven; St. Paulus, S. Manheim Twp.; St. Johannis, Friedensburg.	E. H. Smoll	Schuylkill Haven.
Tamaqua, Zions	Englische Zions, Tamaqua; Christus, Rush Twp	J. D. Schlenker	Tamaqua.
Tremont	St. Johannis, Tremont; Friedens, Barry Twp.; Friedens, Hegins Twp.	D. Sanner	Tremont.

Vierte Conferenz.

	Cumberland Co.		
Mechanicsburg	St. Marcus, Ecke Keller und High Str., Mechanicsburg; St. Johannes, Hampden Twp.	H. N. Fegley	Mechanicsburg.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 2		
	Dauphin Co.		
Harrisburg, St. Michaelis.	Deutsche St. Michaelis, Harrisburg	J. G. Pfuhl	Harrisburg.
Steelton, Trinitatis	Deutsche evang.-luth. Trinitatis	Vakant	
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 2		
	Lancaster Co.		
Brickerville	Brickerville, Elisabeth Twp.; White Oak, Penn Twp.; Rothsville Warwick Twp.;	H. E. Semmel	Litiz.
Columbia, St. Paulus	Deutsche St. Paulus, Columbia; Concordia, Chestnut Hill	J. A. Darmstätter	Columbia.
„ St. Johannes	Englische St. Johannes, Ecke 6. und Locust Str.	M. E. Mehrkam	Columbia.
Elizabethtown	Christus, Manheim Str., Elizabethtown	Geo. Seaman	Elizabethtown.
Ephrata	Heilige Dreieinigkeits, Ephrata; Salems; Schöneck; Schwamm, Zions.	E. S. Brownmiller	Ephrata.
Lancaster, Christus	Christus, West King Str., Lancaster	E. L. Reed	Lancaster.
„ Grace	Grace, James und Queen Str., Lancaster	C. E. Houpt	Lancaster.
„ Trinity	Trinitatis, Duke Str., südlich von King	C. L. Fry	Lancaster.
„ Zions	Deutsche Zions	F. P. Mayser	Lancaster.
Marietta	Deutsch-englische Zions, Walnut Str., Marietta	Geo. Ph. Müller	Marietta.
Mechanicsburg	Zions, Main Str., Mechanicsburg	J. Kohler	Leacock.
Millersville	St. Paulus, Millersville; Salems Rohrerstown; St. Michaels Ost Main Str., Straßburg.	J. W. Early	Millersville.
Mount Joy	Ev.-Luth. Trinitatis, Mount Joy, Süd Barbara Str.	J. H. Umbenhen	Mount Joy.
New Holland	Trinitatis, Main Str., New Holland	J. W. Haßler	New Holland.
Reamstown	Salem; Reamstown; St. Johannes, Ost Earl Twp; St. Paulus, Bowmansville, Ost Cocalico Twp.; Bergstraße, Ephrata Twp.; Muddy Creek Twp. Gemeinden 27	B. G. Welder	Reamstown.
Pfarrstellen 15			
	Lebanon Co.		
Jonestown	Zion, Jonestown; (Palm, Palmyra, wird einstweilen von Pastor Markley besorgt.)	A. B. Markley	Jonestown.
Lebanon (2)	Salems, 8. Str., Lebanon; St. Paulus, Annville	B. W. Schmauk T. E. Schmauk	Lebanon. Lebanon.
Myerstown	Friedens, Main Str., Myerstown; St. Johannes, Mt. Aetna, Berks Co.	F. J. F. Schantz	Myerstown.
Palmyra	Bindnagels, Londonderry Twp.; Schells, Ost Hanover Twp.; Dauphin Co.; Wenrichs, Lower Paxton, Dauphin Co.	J. W. Gauker	Palmyra.

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Walmers	Walmers, Sattazahns, Moonshine, Union Twp.; Zions, Ost Hanover; Lickdale, (Predigtplatz).	S. B. Stupp	Lickdale.
Zoar	Zoars, Mt. Zion; St Paulus, Hamlin, Bethel Twp.; St. Johannes, Fredericksburg; Monroe Valley, Swatara Twp.	H. Gieß	Jonestown.
Pfarrstellen 7	Gemeinden 17		

Fünfte Conferenz.

Clinton Co.

Lock Haven	Erste evang.-luth., Front Str., Lock Haven	J. Darmstätter	Lock Haven.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 1		

Columbia Co.

Berwick	St. Johannes, Mifflinville; Briar Creek, Briar Creek Twp.; St. Jakobs, Nescopek Twp.; St. Jakobus, Hollenbach Twp.; Wapwallopen, Conyngham Twp.; Mt. Zion, Nescopek Twp.; St. Paulus, Salem, Twp.; Luzerne Co	J. P. German	Berwick.
Catawissa	St. Johannes, Main Str., Catawissa; St. Paulus, Numidia, Locust Twp.; Emanuels, Main Twp.	J. H. Neiman	Catawissa.
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 10		

Dauphin Co.

Lykens	St. Johannes, Lykens; St. Paulus, Tower City, Schuylkill Co.; St. Peters, Johnstown, Schuylkill Co.	M. B. Lenker	Lykens.
Lykens Valley	St. Johannes, Mifflin Twp.; Simons, Gratztown; Zions, Upper Paxton Twp.; Salems, Elisabethville; St. Jakobs, Jackson Twp.	J. Hillpot	Elizabethville.
Stone Valley	Zions, Pillow; Dauphin Co.; St. Lucas, (Vera Cruz); Stone Valley; Georgtown, Lower Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co.	W. H. Geiger	Pillow.
Pine Valley	Klingers und St. Matthäus (Colemans), Lykens Twp., Dauphin Co.; Artz, Hubly Twp.; Friedens, Stutzmans, Hegins Twp., Schuylkill Co.	S. S. Henry	Pillow.
Pfarrstellen 4	Gemeinden 17		

Lycoming Co.

Cogan Station	Cogan Station	D. E. Reed	Cogan Station.
Williamsport	Englisch-Luth. Kirche, Market Str., Williamsport	A. L. Yount	Williamsport.

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	IV. „	25	„	49	„	28	„
	V. „	22	„	80	„	25	„
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Geistliche. —	Pastoren von Gemeinden oder Parochien	191	
	Pastoren, die zugleich Professoren sind	1	
	Pastoren-Gehülfen	3	
	Professoren und Lehrer	15	
	Missionare	6	
	Ordinirt bei dieser Synode	16	
	Nicht mehr im aktiven Dienst oder ohne Gemeinden	30	
			262
Gemeinden	(4 nicht eingeschlossen, die nicht zur Synode gehören, aber von Pastoren des Ministeriums bedient werden)		433
	Parochien des Ministeriums		196
	Confirmirte Glieder	100,782	
	Zum Abendmahl gingen	81,134	
Zunahme. —	Durch Confirmation	5,490	
	Aus luth. Gemeinden	1,663	
	Aus andern Gemeinschaften	346	
	Durch Taufe Erwachsener	294	
			7,793
	Kindertaufen		8,575
Abnahme. —	Durch Tod	1,811	
	Durch Wegzug	1,244	
	Durch Ausschluß	86	
			3,141
Gemeindeschulen		16	
	Lehrer	30	
	Schüler	1,430	
Sonntagschulen. — 1. Lutherische		221	
	Lehrer	5,099	
	Schüler	44,170	
2. Unlutherische		293	
	Lehrer	3,108	
	Schüler	26,679	

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Seite 11 ist der Name von Pastor Joseph Stump, welcher im November 1887 ordinirt wurde, von der Namenliste leider ausgelassen worden.

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Verhandlungen

der

142sten jährlichen Versammlung

des

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Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien

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Gottesdienste und Versammlungen,

welche während der 142. Jahres-Sitzung in der evang.-luth. Salems-Kirche in Lebanon gehalten wurden.

Donnerstag, den 13. Juni, Vormittags halb 10 Uhr, Beichte im Betsaal der Kirche; sodann in der Kirche Hauptgottesdienst. Synodalpredigt vom Ehrw. Präsidenten, Dr. G. F. Krotel, über 1. Corinther 3, 9—15.; hierauf Feier des heiligen Abendmahls.

Donnerstag Abend, Ansprache von Pastor H. B. Strodach über Erziehung und von Pastor G. C. Gardner über Mission; beide Ansprachen waren deutsch. Pastor H. Grahn leitete den Gottesdienst.

Freitag Abend, englische Ansprachen über Erziehung und Mission. Ueber ersteren Gegenstand redete Dr. S. A. Repaß, über letzteren, Pastor A. L. Yount.

Samstag Abend fand eine Versammlung statt im Interesse des Waisenhauses. Pastor R. Gerlach und Herr Heinrich Lehman hielten Ansprachen. Dr. Sadtler leitete den Gottesdienst.

Trinitatis-Sonntag, Vormittags ein Viertel vor 9 Uhr fand deutscher Gottesdienst statt, bei welchem P. A. Richter, Delegat vom New Yorker Ministerium, über Joh. 3, 3 predigte. Pastor F. Walz leitete den liturgischen Theil des Gottesdienstes.

Darauf folgte um halb elf Uhr ein englischer Gottesdienst, bei welchem der Ehrw. Dr. J. A. Seiß über 5. Mose 32, 31 predigte. Prof. Dr. Jakobs leitete den Gottesdienst.

Nachmittags versammelten sich die Kinder der Sonntagschulen, die größeren in dem Hauptttheil der Kirche, woselbst die Pastoren W. A. Schäffer, C. L. Fry, Prof. Dr. M. H. Richards und Dr. G. F. Krotel, und die kleineren im Betsaal, woselbst die Pastoren Dr. G. F. Krotel, S. G. Weiskotten, E. F. Keever und S. E. Ochsenford Ansprachen hielten.

Abends predigte Pastor H. Peters in englischer Sprache über Johannis 4, 13. 14. Die Pastoren J. P. Deck und G. D. Foust versahen den Altardienst.

Montag Abend, den 17. Juni, fand die feierliche Ordination von 18 jungen Männern zum heiligen Predigtamt statt. Pastor D. H. Geissinger hielt die Ordinationspredigt über Matth. 28, 16—20.

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Das **„Evangelisch-Lutherische Ministerium von Pennsylvanien und den angrenzenden Staaten"** versammelte sich in der Evang.-Luth. Salems-Kirche (Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk) Donnerstag den 13. Juni 1889, Vormittags halb 10 Uhr. Die Beichte wurde im Betsaal der Kirche gehalten und vom Ehrw. Präsidenten und dem deutschen Sekretär geleitet. Sodann zogen die Prediger und Gemeinde-Abgeordneten in die Kirche, woselbst der Hauptgottesdienst statt fand. Der Ehrw. Präsident Dr. G. F. Krotel predigte über 1. Corinther 3, 9—11. Die Synodalen empfingen sodann das heilige Abendmahl.

1. Synodal-Geschäfte.

Erste Sitzung.

Lebanon, Pa.,

Donnerstag, den 13. Juni, halb 3 Uhr Nachm.

Der Ehrw. Präsident eröffnete die Synode nach agendarischer Ordnung. Sodann theilte er der Versammlung mit, daß ein Glied der Salems-Gemeinde, Herr Johann Uhler, zum Andenken an diese hundertjährige Versammlung der Synode in der Salems-Kirche, dem Ministerium, zum Gebrauch bei dessen Verhandlungen, einen Präsidenten-Hammer, aus Holz von der alten Kirche hergestellt und die Daten 1789 und 1889 tragend, zum Geschenk gemacht habe.

Die Synode sprach dem genannten Herrn für dieses Geschenk ihren herzlichen Dank aus.

Die Namenliste der zum Ministerium gehörenden Geistlichen, sowie der mit demselben verbundenen Gemeinden und Parochien und deren Abgeordneten wurde nun verlesen.

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	Geistliche.	Trat ins Amt.	Trat in die Synode.	Wohnort.	Laien-Abgeordnete.
1	e J. Röller	1829	1839	Kutztown	Nicht mehr im activen Dienst.
2	e C. F. Welden D.D.	1833	1835	817 Holly Str., West Philadelphia	Pastor Emer. der St. Petri-Gem., West Philadel'a
3	C. W. Schäffer, D. D., LL. D.	1835	1835	4784 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia	Präsident der Facultät des Theol. Seminars und Pastor Emer. von St. Michaels, Germantown.
4	e C. L. Erle	1840	1840	Colly, Sullivan Co.	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
5	W. G. Laitzle	1840	1841 1853	Lebanon	" " "
6	E. A. Bauer	1841	1842	Hazleton	
7	e W. J. Mann, D. D., LL. D.	1842	1851	114 Nord 34. Str., West Philadelphia	Prof. am Theol. Seminar und Pastor Emer. der Zions-Gem., Philadelphia.
8	J. A. Seiß, D. D., LL. D.	1842	1865	1338 Spring Garden Str., Philadelphia	Wm. H. Staake, Esq.
9	a W. Weaver	1843	1853	Phönixville	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
10	e A. J. Weddell	1843	1868	Norristown	Pastor Emer. der Trinitatis-Gem., Norristown.
11	e W. S. Emery	1844	1862	Frenchtown, N. J.	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
12	J. Kohler	1844	1849	Leacock, Lancaster Co.	
13	B. Sadtler, D. D.	1844	1856 1877	14 E. Huntingdon Ave., Baltimore, Md.	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
14	e J. C. Schmidt	1844	1844	Mahanoy, Northumberland Co.	
15	W. Gerhard, D. D.	1847	1848 1854 1861	Martinsburg, W. Va.	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
16	G. F. Krotel, D.D., LL. D., (Präsident des Minist.)	1848	1848 1879	49 West 21. Str., New York City	Wm. Hauff.
17	F. Walz	1848	1848	Sellersville	H. C. Dettweiler
18	e H. Weickfel	1848	1864	Line Mountain, Northumberland Co.	
19	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.	1849	1884	Philippsburg, N. J.	W. F. Carey.
20	D. M. Henkel, D. D.	1849	1856 1883	Catasauqua	
21	C. Kühn	1849	1884	90 South Str., Wilkesbarre	
22	J. K. Plitt, (Schatzmeister d. Min.)	1850	1874	48 Nord 36. Str., West Philadelphia	
23	G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.	1851	1851	Pottsville	L. Stoffregen.
24	T. Steck	1851	1857	Bridgeton, N. J.	
25	P. F. Zizelmann	1851	1860	226 Mifflin Ave., Scranton	
26	e Wm. Rath	1852	1852	Allentown	

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27	J. Fry, D. D.	1853	1858–1865	Reading	Thomas B. Illig.
28	G. F. Gardner	1853	1853	Allentown	
29	B. W. Schmauk	1853	1858	Lebanon	Geo. Gaffert.
30	J. W. Haßler	1854	1854	New Holland, Lancaster Co.	
31	R. Hill, (Agent des Seminars)	1854	1874	East Mount Airy Ave., Philadelphia	
32	F. A. Mühlenberg, D. D., LL. D.	1854	1854	4307 Walnut Str., West Philadelphia	
33	F. Berkemeyer	1855	1855	Sellersville	A. T. Long.
34	e D. M. Martens	1855	1882	Augusta, Ga.	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
35	H. Grahn	1856	1856	1009 Süd 4. Str., Philadelphia	Georg C. Böhm.
36	J. F. Wampole	1856	1868	Freeburg, Snyder Co.	
37	F. J. F. Schantz	1857	1858	Myerstown	Jakob E. Klein.
38	B. E. Kramlich	1858	1859	Kutztown	Preston K. Dry.
39	e D. Kuntz	1858	1858	Nazareth	
40	J. A. Darmstätter	1859	1859	Columbia	
41	A. Finfrock	1859	1865	Womelsdorf	
42	A. R. Horne, D. D.	1859	1870	Allentown	
43	e D. Leopold	1859	1859	Fogelsville, Lecha Co.	
44	D. Sanner	1859	1859	Tremont	Jakob Heim.
45	e J. H. Voß	1859	1872	Ansonia, Tioga Co.	
46	B. D. Zweizig	1859	1859	Reading	
47	H. H. Bruning	1860	1867–1881	White Haven	Heinrich Hemsath.
48	J. W. Early	1860	1860	Jersey Shore, Lycoming Co.	
49	J. H. Fritz	1860	1871	York	Nicht im activen Dienst.
50	J. J. Kündig	1860	1860	609 Walnut Str., Reading	J. G. Schumacher.
51	e A. Martin, D. D.	1860	1870	Gettysburg	Prof. im Pennsylvania College.
52	Ph. Pfatteicher	1860	1860	Easton	Wm. Siebler.
53	Enoch Smith	1860	1882	Bethlehem	L. W. Fatzinger.
54	e G. A. Strunz	1860	1862	Pittston	
55	Th. Heilig	1861	1870	Stroudsburg	
56	S. Laird, D. D.	1861	1865–1880	1314 Spring Garden Str., Phil'a	J. J. Mohr.
57	†J. A. McAtee	1861	1889	1714 Süd 15. Str., Philadelphia	
58	J. H. Schmidt	1861	1864	Freeland	
59	A. Späth, D. D., (Prof. im Sem.)	1861	1865	1615 Girard Ave., Philadelphia	Michael Urban.
60	e A. M. Strauß	1861	1875	Gilberts, Monroe Co.	Bedient keine Gemeinde.

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61	J. M. Anspach, (Engl. Sekretär)..	1862	1868 1878	Easton	J. H. Lindeman.
62	B. F. Apple	1862	1862	Bangor, Northampton Co.	
63	J. B. Fox	1862	1863	Slatington,	Owen Harter.
64	W. B. Fox	1862	1888	Sumneytown	
65	J. G. Pfuhl	1862	1876	Harrisburg	
66	H. Gieß	1863	1866	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.	
67	L. Groh	1863	1863	Boyertown, Berks Co.	Hiram Burdan.
68	G. F. W. Günsch	1863	1863	Minersville	Jonas Laubenstein.
69	M. C. Horine	1863	1873	Reading	H. H. Johnston.
70	J. S. Renninger	1863	1864	Allentown	
71	M. Schimpf	1863	1863 1868	Frankford, Philadelphia	
72	S. A. K. Francis	1864	1867	1431 Süd 10. Str., Philadelphia	
73	M. H. Richards, D. D.	1864	1864 1869	Allentown	Prof. am Mühlenberg Collegium.
74	e W. Rieb	1864	1864	140 Court Str., Newark, N. J.	
75	J. C. Dizinger	1865	1865	427 Stevens Str., Camden, N. J.	Johann Fahrion.
76	a M. B. Lenker	1865	1873	Lykens, Dauphin Co	Rudolph Busse.
77	W. O. Cornman	1866	1866	Reading	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
78	G. W. Frederick	1866	1869	117 Nord 6. Str., Philadelphia	Geschäfts-Agent d. *Lutheran* und luth. Buchhändler
79	J. Gruhler	1866	1872	Shenandoah	
80	H. E. Jacobs, D. D.	1866	1874	4104 Powelton Ave., West Philadelphia	Prof. am Philadelphia Seminar.
81	J. R. Shoffner	1866	1885	Wilkesbarre	
82	J. J. Treßman	1867	1867	Kuttown	
83	J. Hillpot	1867	1871	Lickdale, Lebanon Co.	
84	e D. K. Humbert	1867	1867	Bowers, Berks Co.	
85	J. D. Schindel	1867	1867	Allentown	Jakob B. Mauser.
86	T. L. Seip, D. D.	1867	1867	Allentown	Präsident des Mühlenberg Collegiums.
87	G. F. Spieker, D. D.	1867	1867	Allentown	Benj. F. Klein.
88	J. Zentner	1867	1867 1873	Mahanoy City	
89	J. H. Gable	1868	1868 1874	Reading	

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90	R. Gerlach	1868	1884	Trenton, N. J.	Wm. Stotz.
91	e J. M. Hantz	1868	1874	Watertown, Wis.	Prof. zu Watertown, Wis.
92	F. P. Mayser	1868	1868	Lancaster	J. G. Hauser.
93	e B. Pick, Ph. D.	1868	1884	Allegheny	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
94	E. L. Reed	1868	1868	Lancaster	
95	D. D. Trexler	1868	1868	Bernville, Berks Co	
96	† O. F. Waage	1868	1889	Pennsburg, Montgomery Co	Eugen W. Scholl.
97	F. W. Weiskotten	1868	1868	2126 Hancock Str., Philadelphia	Peter Woll.
98	H. S. Fegely	1869	1869	Lynnville, Lecha Co	
99	L. H. Geschwind	1869	1869 1886	Wilkesbarre	
100	e J. Heck	1869	1886	Wheeling, W. Va	
101	F. K. Huntzinger	1869	1869	Reading	Carl Eggleman.
102	P. Isenschmid, M. D.	1869	1869	Wilmington, Del	
103	A. Linsz	1869	1879	1412 Tioga Str., Philadelphia	
104	J. H. Meyer	1869	1885	Steelton	
105	S. A. Repaß, D. D.	1869	1869 1886	Allentown	T. H. Diehl.
106	W. A. Schäffer	1869	1869	Station G, Philadelphia	Prof. S. P. Sadtler, Chas. P. Norton, Stellvertreter.
107	e H. C. Schmidt, (Missionar)	1869	1869	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
108	C. J. Cooper	1870	1870	Allentown	Finanz-Agent des Mühlenberg-Colleg.
109	D. K. Kepner	1870	1870	Pottstown	P. Steiner.
110	W. H. Strauß	1870	1870	Lehighton	Nathan Rex.
111	J. W. Bieber	1871	1871	Bethlehem	Antro Kreidler.
112	e F. F. Bürmeyer	1871	1871	60 Ost 122. Str., New York	
113	G. D. Foust	1871	1871	North Wales	
114	W. H. Rickert	1871	1871	2029 Nord 20. Str., Philadelphia	
115	F. Wischan	1871	1871	726 Nord 7. Str., Philadelphia	O. Schraishuhn.
116	H. N. Fegely	1872	1872	Mechanicsburg	J. D. Raffensberger.
117	D. H. Geissinger	1872	1872	Easton	Wm. G. Heller.
118	F. Felden	1872	1887	Ecke High und Morton Str., Germantown	
119	J. Neff	1872	1872	Spring City, Chester Co	J. E. Finkbeiner.
120	M. J. Kramlich	1873	1873	Fogelsville, Lecha Co	
121	J. J. Kuntz	1873	1873	Conyngham, Luzerne Co	F. Rittenhouse.
122	a W. H. Kuntz	1873	1873	New Castle, Del	
123	W. C. L. Lauer	1873	1885	Millersville	J. F. Rein.

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124	e J. W. Rumple	1873	1873	Lancaster	Bedient keine Gemeinde.
125	E. E. Sibole	1873	1875	516 Brown Str., Philadelphia	James H. Wolfe, Esq.
126	S. A. Ziegenfuß	1873	1873	Bath, Northampton Co.	Dr. H. A. Gernert.
127	H. Peters	1873	1888	Norristown	Geo. Wolf. / Wm. Geiger, Stellvertreter.
128	† C. A. Gräpp	1874	1889	Cramer Hill, N. J.	F. Buren.
129	A. J. Long	1874	1874	Stouchsburg, Berks Co.	
130	J. H. Neiman	1874	1874	Catawissa	Saml. Goodman.
131	J. F. Ohl	1874	1874	Quakertown	
132	O. P. Smith	1874	1874	Pottstown, Montgomery Co.	W. J. Missimer.
133	B. S. Smoll	1874	1874	Krumsville, Berks Co.	
134	D. M. Stetler	1874	1874	Mahanoy, Northumberland Co.	Elias Schäffer.
135	H. B. Strodach	1874	1874	306 Rodney Str., Brooklyn, N. Y.	Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode.
136	F. P. Bender	1875	1875	2304 Ost York Str., Philadelphia	H. E. Strathman.
137	E. S. Brownmiller	1875	1881	631 Nord 9. Str., Reading	
138	D. L. Coleman	1875	1875	Doylestown, Bucks Co.	John L. Kramer.
139	C. E. Houpt	1875	1875	21 Ost James Str., Lancaster	Albert T. Clay.
140	J. E. Nidecker	1875	1875	228 Franklin Str., Philadelphia	Michael Langenstein.
141	J. A. Scheffer	1875	1886	Allentown	Bedient keine Gemeinde.
142	e B. H. Warnke	1875	1886	Hamilton, Canada	Nicht im activen Dienst.
143	J. A. Baumann	1876	1876 / 1886	Allentown	Prof. im Mühlenberg Collegium.
144	J. S. Erb	1876	1876	Slatington	W. M. Sell.
145	C. J. Hirzel	1876	1876	Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia	J. L. Heilig.
146	W. H. Myers	1876	1876	Reading	Daniel E. Esterly.
147	A. P. Pflüger	1876	1876	Turbotville, Northumberland Co.	Peter R. Menges.
148	e W. Wackernagel, D. D.	1876	1876	Allentown	Deutscher Prof. im Mühlenberg Colleg.
149	W. J. Andres	1877	1877	Bath	
150	J. L. Becker	1877	1877	Lansdale	J. F. Zane.
151	A. E. Erdmann	1877	1877	Nazareth	
152	L. Lindenstruth, (Deutscher Sekr.)	1877	1877	Mauch Chunk	
153	M. D. Rath	1877	1877	Allentown	
154	J. D. Upp	1877	1877	Süd Easton	Aaron Richards.
155	A. L. Yount	1877	1887	Williamsport	

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156	J. P. German	1878	1878	Berwick, Columbia Co.	
157	C. A. Hemfath	1878	1878–1887	Bethlehem	Dr. P. B. Breinig.
158	e T. Joseph, (Missionar)	1878	1878	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
159	J. W. Mattern	1878	1878	Allentown	
160	G. P. Müller	1878	1878	Marietta, Lancaster Co.	
161	W. A. C. Müller	1878	1884	Kutztown	J. B. Esser.
162	e N. Paulus, (Missionar)	1878	1878	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
163	E. H. Pohle	1878	1878	4307 Fairmount Ave., West Philadelphia.	
164	A. B. Markley	1879	1879	Jonestown, Lebanon Co.	Johann Reber.
165	S. E. Ochsenford	1879	1879	Selinsgrove	
166	R. M. Zimmerman	1879	1884	1814 Diamond Str., Philadelphia	E. Aug. Miller.
167	E. R. Caffaday	1880	1880	1605 Süd Broad Str., Philadelphia	
168	C. K. Drumheller	1880	1880	Danville	Wm. Roat.
169	J. F. C. Fluck	1880	1880	504 West Cumberland Str., Philadelphia.	
170	J. W. Gauker	1880	1880	Palmyra, Lebanon Co.	W. P. Keiser.
171	W. H. Geiger	1880	1880	Pillow, Dauphin Co	Benj. Lenker.
172	E. H. Gerhart	1880	1880	3517 Nord 17. Str., Philadelphia	
173	W. J. Bieber	1881	1881	Hellertown	
174	J. P. Deck	1881	1884	5467 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia	H. S. Cassel.
175	C. L. Fry	1881	1881	Lancaster	Ruben A. Bär.
176	U P. Heilman	1881	1881	Athol, Berks Co.	
177	D. H. Reiter	1881	1881	Richland Centre, Bucks Co.	A. B. Walp.
178	H. E. Semmel	1881	1881	Litiz, Lancaster Co.	
179	J. L. Sibole	1881	1881	701 Berks Str., Philadelphia	
180	E. M. Smith	1881	1881	842 Wharton Str., Philadelphia	
181	A. W. Walter	1881	1881–1885	Easton	
182	e M. L. Zweizig	1881	1881	Reading	
183	J. H. Kuder	1882	1882	Lehighton	D. H. Straub.
184	G. S. Seaman	1882	1882	Elizabethtown, Lancaster Co.	
185	F. K. Bernd	1883	1883	Stetlersville, Lecha Co	Oskar J. Heilman.
186	C. K. Binder	1883	1883	503 Linden Str., Camden, N. J.	
187	J. W. Klingler (unter Suspension)	1883	1883	Stouchsburg	
188	† Geo. W. Sandt	1883	1883–1889	Weisport, Carbon Co.	
189	T. E. Schmauk	1883	1883	Lebanon	E. K. Manbeck.
190	S. B. Stupp	1883	1883	Phönixville	

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191	J. H. Umbenhen	1883	1883	Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co	
192	H. Wendel	1883	1883 / 1888	Harrisburg	
193	T. R. Ander	1884	1884	Philadelphia	
194	G. C. Gardner	1884	1884 / 1886	Roxboro, Philadelphia	F. G. H. Wörner.
195	J. W. Mayne	1884	1884	Catasauqua	
196	e J. F. C. McCready, (Missionar)	1884	1884	Rajahmundry, Ost-Indien	
197	D. D. Miller	1884	1884	Hamburg, Berks Co	
198	† W. R. M. Oeser	1884	1889	924 Silver Str., Philadelphia	
199	J. H. Uhrich	1884	1884	Myerstown	Bedient keine Pfarrstelle.
200	S. Wenrich	1884	1884	Dushore, Sullivan Co	
201	P. P. Wisser	1884	1884	Schlichter, Bucks Co	
202	D. D. Bartholomew	1885	1885	Ringtown, Schuylkill Co	Joseph Miller.
203	L. J. Bickel	1885	1885	Reading	
204	J. Darmstätter	1885	1885	Lock Haven	
205	† A. J. Heißler	1885	1889	Millville, N. J.	L. Kurtz.
206	U. J. Klingensmith	1885	1885	Kimberton, Chester Co	
207	J. W. Lazarus	1885	1885	Stone Church, Northampton Co	
208	E. L. Miller	1885	1885	613 Mulberry Str., Scranton	G. H. Huppert.
209	R. D. Röder	1885	1885	Norristown	J. R. Hunsicker.
210	C. E. Sandt	1885	1885	Freemansburg	Thom. Stoneback.
211	E. H. Smoll	1885	1885	Schuylkill Haven	Franklin B. Weber.
212	J. Witte	1885	1886	Baltimore, Md	
213	A. C. Wuchter	1885	1885	Summit Hill, Carbon Co	
214	† A. Cordes	1886	1889	Ecke Corinthian und Girard Ave., Phil'a	Rector der Diaconissen-Anstalt.
215	P. F. A. Glasow	1886	1886	Tamaqua	
216	a F. Kayser	1886	1886	1803 S. 4. Str., Philadelphia	
217	A. J. Kline	1886	1886	New Hanover, Montgomery Co	Heinrich Harpel.
218	C. D. Schlenker	1886	1886	Tamaqua	Philipp Kolb.
219	Wm. F. Schöner	1886	1886	Süd Bethlehem	
220	B. G. Welder	1886	1886	Reamstown, Lancaster Co	
221	A. J. Foust	1886	1888	Stroudsburg	
222	J. C. Gräpp	1886	1888	Scranton	Heinrich Costebader.

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223	e Dr. Hermann V. Hilprecht	1887	1887	West Philadelphia	Prof. an der Universität von Penn'a.
224	Alfred J. L. Breinig	1887	1887	Augustaville, Northumberland Co.	Joh. Reitz.
225	D. L. Fogelman	1887	1887	Danville,	
226	† J. J. Heißler	1887	1889	Trenton, N. J.	Christian Jenter.
227	H. F. A. Hellwege	1887	1887	Reading	Gehülfe Pastor Kündig's.
228	W. D. C. Keiter	1887	1887	Bethlehem	Wm. Rickum.
229	G. G. Kunkel	1887	1887	Weatherly, Carbon Co.	
230	J. O. Leibensberger	1887	1887	Girardville	
231	J. Niemann	1887	1887	Norristown	
232	O. E. Pflüger	1887	1887	Beavertown, Snyder Co.	
233	J. J. Reitz	1887	1887	Cherryville	
234	e G. J. Schäffer	1887	1887	Richfield, Juniata Co.	
235	e J. H. Stump	1887	1888	Great Bend, Susquehanna Co.	
236	S. G. Weiskotten	1887	1887	416 W. 3. Str., Jamestown, N. Y.	
237	Carl C. Boyer	1888	1888	Chester	
238	F. F. Fry	1888	1888	1340 Spring Garden Str., Philadelphia.	
239	e J. A. Hufford	1888	1888	Blacksburg, Va.	
240	Rob. B. Lynch	1888	1888	Dublin, Bucks Co.	Jak. E. Frankenfield.
241	A. M. Mehrkam	1888	1888	Columbia, Lancaster Co.	
242	e H. H. Rippe	1888	1888	New Germany, N. J.	
243	Wm. A. Sadtler	1888	1888	612 King Str., Wilmington, Del.	
244	Ad. M. Weber	1888	1888	Newark, N. J.	
245	W. Weickfel	1888	1888	Shamokin	
246	H. Weigand	1888	1888	1731 Bambrey Str., Philadelphia	Johann Braun.
247	E. A. Yehl	1888	1888	Coopersburg	Johann Vogt.
248	*C. F. A. Bast	1889	1889	Trenton, N. J.	
249	*S. R. G. von Bosse	1889	1889	Philadelphia	Gehülfe Pastor F. Wischan's.
250	*A. E. R. Collmann	1889	1889	Wilkesbarre	
251	*A. C. Delfs	1889	1889	Jacksonville, Florida	
252	*C. W. Jeffries	1889	1889	Allegheny City	
253	*C. F. Keever	1889	1889	Seattle, W. T.	
254	*E. Th. Kretschman	1889	1889	Trappe	F. G. Kraft.
255	*C. B. Lintweb	1889	1889	Red Wing, Minn.	
256	*A. G. Loder	1889	1889	517 Süd 8. Str., Philadelphia	
257	*Jas. C. R. Park	1889	1889	Centre Square	J. H. Seiple.
258	*F. H. Offermann	1889	1889	Egg Harbor City, N. J.	
259	*D. L. Passavant	1889	1889	Pittsburg	

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	Geistliche.	Trat ins Amt.	Trat in die Synode.	Wohnort.	Laien-Abgeordnete.
260	*Wm. E. Roney	1889	1889	Süd Easton	
261	*N. F. Schmidt	1889	1889	Schwenksville	
262	*W. L. Smith	1889	1889	St. Paul, Minn	
263	*Joh. H. Waidelich	1889	1889	Sellersville	
264	*H. W. Warmkessel	1889	1889	Maxatawny	
265	*H. A. Weller	1889	1889	Orwigsburg	W. H. Edwards.
	Vakant: St. Markus			Süd Bethlehem	S. S. Wagner.
	Trinitatis			Chester	Edwin P. Bruns.

* Bei dieser Versammlung ordinirt.
† Von andern Synoden aufgenommen.
e, abwesend mit, a, abwesend ohne Entschuldigung.

Pastor Alexander Richter händigte sein Beglaubigungsschreiben als Delegat vom Ministerium von New York ein, überbrachte die herzlichen Grüße dieser Schwester-Synode und wurde vom Vorsitzer aufs freundlichste bewillkommt und zu Sitz und Stimme bei den Verhandlungen unseres Ministeriums eingeladen.

165 Geistliche und 65 Gemeinde-Abgeordnete waren bei der Eröffnung, und während den verschiedenen Sitzungen 224 Geistliche und 98 Abgeordnete zugegen. Die diesjährige Synode zählte demnach mit Einschluß des Delegaten vom New York-Ministerium 323 stimmberechtigte Glieder.

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Während dem verflossenen Jahr sind 6 Geistliche gestorben, 16 wurden an andere Synoden entlassen; 8 wurden bei dieser Versammlung aufgenommen, 18 wurden ordinirt; der Name eines Predigers wurde von der Liste gestrichen.

Als Gäste

wurden angemeldet: Ehrw. W. A. Passavant jr., Superintendent des englischen einheimischen Missions-Werkes des General-Concils, und Ehrw. Geo. M. Scheidy, beide von der Pittsburg-Synode.

Nachdem die Organisation also geschehen war, verlas der ehrw. Präsident Dr. G. F. Krotel seinen Jahresbericht in englischer Sprache:

Bericht des Präsidenten.

Geliebte Brüder!

Die Pastoren, Beamten und Glieder dieser ehrwürdigen Gemeinde haben uns eingeladen, unsere 142. Jahresversammlung hier zu halten, weil es gerade einhundert Jahre sind, seit unser Ministerium seine erste Versammlung in dieser Gemeinde, welche dieselbe seitdem wiederholt bewillkommt hat, hielt. Die Synode hat Grund, Gott zu danken, daß Er ihr die Gnade geschenkt hat, so viele Jahre zu sehen, und daß sie auf eine schöne Anzahl von Gemeinden blicken kann, die ein ganzes Jahrhundert, und noch länger, mit ihr verbunden sind. Sie freut sich in den Mauern dieser Salemskirche wieder zusammenkommen zu dürfen, und über den gesegneten Fortgang dieser Gemeinde, sowie über ihre treue Anhänglichkeit an den Glauben der Väter. Sie kann ihre Wünsche, dieser Gemeinde gegenüber, nicht besser aussprechen, als in den Worten des Apostels Paulus an die Philipper: „Wandelt nur würdiglich dem Evangelio Christi, auf daß, ob ich komme, und sehe euch, oder abwesend von euch höre, daß ihr stehet in einem Geist, einer Seele, und sammt uns kämpfet für den Glauben des Evangelii."

Indem ich hier in dieser Kirche stehe, in welcher ich im Jahre 1867 meine erste Synodalpredigt und anno 1849, als die Synode hier versammelt war, meine erste Ansprache vor derselben hielt, als der verstorbene Dr. W. G. Ernst noch Präsident war, dem ich noch in demselben Jahre als Pastor dieser Gemeinde nachfolgte, — darf ich wohl, indem ich über alle die Veränderungen, die seither in diesem Körper vorgekommen sind, in den Worten des Propheten Sacharja, ausrufen: „Wo sind nun eure Väter, und die Propheten? Leben sie auch noch?" Die Väter, die eine solche hervorragende Stellung in den früheren Versammlungen dieses Körpers einnahmen, sind in die Ruhe, welche für das Volk Gottes vorhanden ist, eingegangen, und andere — wir selbst miteingeschlossen, sind in ihre Arbeit getreten. Die Arbeit geht voran, obwohl die Arbeiter gewechselt worden sind. Die alte Synode lebt noch, obwohl ein Geschlecht nach dem andern hingeschieden ist. Wohl kann sie in den Worten des Lieblingspsalms unseres Luther sprechen: „Ich werde nicht sterben, sondern leben, und des Herrn Werk verkündigen. Der Herr züchtiget mich wohl, aber er gibt mich dem Tode nicht." Unser Heiland, Jesus Christus sprach: — „Auf diesen Felsen will Ich bauen Meine Gemeine, und die Pforten der Hölle sollen sie nicht überwältigen." Er

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beruft Menschen „Gottes Mitarbeiter" zu werden, — nicht nur weise Baumeister wie Paulus und seine inspirirten Mitapostel, sondern auch uninspirirte und untergeordnete Arbeiter, wie ihre Nachfolger bis auf die gegenwärtige Zeit, aber Er selbst ist es, der die Kirche baut, durch diese Seine Werkzeuge. Die Arbeiter sterben, wenn ihr Tagewerk vollbracht ist, aber der Herr erweckt andere an ihrer Stelle, und die Arbeit geht voran. Wohl hat die Kirche ihren Verlust gefühlt, als ein Apostel nach dem andern dahinging, und selbst der geliebte Johannes, von dem die Rede ausging unter den Brüdern: „Dieser Jünger stirbt nicht," in einem hohen Alter starb. Vom menschlichen Gesichtspunkt aus hätte die Kirche fragen können, wie soll der Bau der Kirche fortschreiten ohne diese weisen Baumeister? Aber sie wußte, daß Christus, der sie zu dem Werke berufen und ausgerüstet hatte, der wahre Baumeister ist, und Arbeiter erwecken würde, um Seinen Plan auszuführen. Und wir geben heute davon Zeugniß, daß der Herr immer noch Seine Kirche baut, und daß ihre Mauern immer höher steigen. So ist es auch in unserer Synode gewesen. Männer unter uns, „die für Säulen angesehen waren," wurden hinweggenommen, aber das Gebäude ist nicht zusammengestürzt, denn der Herr hat andere an ihre Stellen gesetzt. Und also ist es nun geschehen, daß unsere Synode größer ist als je zuvor, und mehr ausrichtet, als zu irgend einer früheren Zeit. Das ist vom Herrn geschehen, und ist ein Wunder vor unseren Augen." Wohl mögen wir uns mit solchen Gedanken trösten und stärken, wenn wir bedenken, welche Verluste wir im vergangenen Synodaljahre erlitten haben.

Todesfälle.

Als wir vor einem Jahre in Lancaster tagten, war Pastor J. N. S. Erb, Seelsorger der St. Paulus-Gemeinde in Orwigsburg, Pa., noch unter uns, obwohl es leicht war zu sehen, daß er sich nicht wohl befand. Wir vertagten uns am 30. Mai und am 3. Juni ist er gestorben. Bei der Leichenfeier gaben ihm die Glieder seiner Gemeinde und seine Amtsbrüder das Zeugniß, daß er ein frommer Christ, ein treuer und begabter Prediger und Seelsorger, und ein tüchtiges und wertvolles Glied seiner Konferenz und unserer Synode gewesen sei.

Am 1. August 1888 schied der Ehrw. Josua Jäger, der ein Alter von 85 Jahren erreicht hatte, aus diesem Leben. Er trat schon im Jahre 1827 ins heilige Predigtamt und in unsere Synode, und in dieser langen Reihe von Jahren machte seine hervorragende Gestalt einen Eindruck auf alle, welche unsere Verhandlungen besuchten. Sein Name stand an der Spitze unserer Namenliste. Mit außergewöhnlichen körperlichen Kräften und ausgezeichneten Gaben, als Prediger und Seelsorger ausgerüstet, war es ihm vergönnt, seinen großen und mit viel Mühe verbundenen Pfarrbezirk durch eine ungewöhnliche Reihe von Jahren zu bedienen, und seine Gemeinden nahmen nur dann seine Resignation an, als die Bürde des Alters ihn zwang, das Werk, das er liebte, niederzulegen.

Indem ich Ihnen den schnellen Tod des Ehrw. Beale Melanchthon Schmucker, D.D., der am 15. Oktober 1888 stattfand, melde, bin ich der Ueberzeugung, daß Sie alle mit mir übereinstimmen werden, wenn ich sage, daß das evang.-luth. Ministerium von Pennsylvanien, in den langen Jahren seines Bestehens, äußerst selten den Tod eines Mannes zu betrauern hatte, der demselben so viel galt, als dieser Dahingeschiedene. Obwohl sein Verlust an

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anderen Orten gefühlt werden wird, und manche es schon ausgesprochen haben, und es noch aussprechen werden, was sie an ihm verloren haben, so hat doch die Synode von Pennsylvanien einen ganz besonderen Verlust erlitten.

Bedenken wir seine ausgezeichneten Gaben als ein Rathgeber und Wortführer auf dem Flur dieser Synode, seine Thätigkeit in unserer Executive Committee, seine unschätzbaren Verdienste als Sekretär des Direktoriums unseres theologischen Seminars, und als Glied des Verwaltungsraths vom Mühlenberg-College; die Arbeit, welcher er zuerst für diese Synode, in der Herstellung der Liturgie und des englischen Gesangbuchs, welche schließlich an die Kirchenbuchs-Committee des General-Conzils übertragen wurde, - in welcher Committee er der leitende Geist war, — so dürfen wir wohl von unserem großen Verluste reden und fragen, wo ist der Mann, der seinen Platz einnehmen kann?

Er nahm eine solche hervorragende Stellung in allen Theilen unserer Arbeit ein, und seine Stimme erschallte so oft und mit solchem Erfolg in unseren Versammlungen, daß wir ihn jeden Augenblick vermissen, und dabei erkennen werden, wie viel er für uns war, und wie viel wir uns auf ihn verlassen haben.

Von allem diesem zeugte die große Theilnahme, von Seiten der Glieder dieses Körpers, an dem Trauergottesdienste am 17. Oktober in der Kirche der Verklärung, Pottstown, Pa., und bei dem Begräbniß in Allentown, Pa., am 18. d. M. Auch ziemte es sich, daß die Begräbnißformulare, welche er selbst bearbeitet hatte, und die in unserer neuen Agende einen Platz finden werden, zum ersten Mal bei dem Begräbniß des Mannes, deß Namen stets mit unserem Kirchenbuch verbunden bleiben wird, gebraucht wurden.

Am 11. Februar 1889 starb in seiner Heimath in der Stadt New York, der ehrw. Professor Heinrich Immanuel Schmidt, D.D., Professor Emeritus des Columbia College daselbst, in einem Alter von etwas über 82 Jahren. In weiten Kreisen als Pastor, und besonders als Professor im Hartwick-Seminar, im Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg und Columbia College, und als Schriftsteller (in der Evangelical Review u. s. w.) bekannt, war er durch lange Jahre ein Glied des New Yorker Ministeriums, bis er im Jahre 1879, als meine Gemeinde, deren Glied er war, in dieses Ministerium aufgenommen wurde, sich demselben auch anschloß Die Beschwerden des Alters verhinderten ihn an unseren Versammlungen Theil zu nehmen, aber er nahm stets ein reges Interesse an denselben, und war vielen unseren Gliedern nicht nur bekannt, sondern genoß auch ihre hohe Achtung.

Am 15. Februar starb Pastor David E. Reed, Seelsorger der St. Michaelis-Gemeinde, nahe bei Cogan Station, Lycoming Co., Pa., in einem Alter von etwas mehr als 52 Jahren. Er hatte seine Gemeinde mehr denn sechs Jahre lang treulich bedient, und die Glieder seiner Gemeinde und die Amtsbrüder, die ihm am nächsten standen, gaben ihm das Zeugniß, daß er nicht nur ein begabter Prediger, sondern auch ein rechter Seelsorger war, dem es ernstlich daran gelegen war, Seelen zu Christo zu führen.

Das ist gewiß eine außergewöhnliche Liste, und darf uns wohl mahnen das Gebet zu sprechen: „Lehre uns bedenken, daß wir sterben müssen, auf daß wir klug werden."

Stellenwechsel und Installationen.

Am 10. Juni 1888 installirte Pastor F. P. Mayser, Präsident der 4. Konferenz, den Ehrw. A. M. Mehrkam, als Pastor der engl.-luth. St. Johannis-Gemeinde in Columbia, Pa.

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Am 17. Juni wurde Pastor H. Peters in der Trinitatis-Kirche zu Norristown, Pa., installirt.

Am 19. Juni trat Pastor W. Weickfel seine Arbeit in Shamokin an.

Am 1. Juli resignirte Pastor C. H. Gerhart in Phönixville und übernahm den Dienst an der Nativity-Kirche zu Philadelphia.

Am 1. Juli resignirte Pastor J. W. Mayne in Tinicum, und am 5. desselben Monats wurde er als Pastor der St. Pauls-Gemeinde in Catasauqua eingeführt.

Am 3. Juli benachrichtigte mich Pastor Hermann Weigand, daß er den Ruf der Christus- und St. Markus-Gemeinden in Philadelphia angenommen habe, und ersuchte mich, Prof. Dr. Späth zu beauftragen, ihn zu installiren. Ich erfüllte seinen Wunsch, und er wurde am 15. Juli eingeführt.

Am 14. Juli resignirte J. R. Groff zu Danville, und nahm einen Ruf nach Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland Co., Pa., an.

Am 1. August verließ Pastor A. R. J. Gräpp die Stelle zu Millville, N. J., und zog nach Ridgeway, Elk Co., Pa.

Am 21. August zeigte mir Pastor J. Heck an, daß er einen Ruf von der Gemeinde in Steelton, Pa., angenommen habe und am 1. Oktober einzutreten gedenke. Am 16. März 1889 benachrichtigte er mich, daß er diese Gemeinde zu verlassen und sich einstweilen in Philadelphia aufzuhalten gedenke.

Am 9. September wurde Pastor R. B. Lynch, der letztes Jahr ordinirt wurde, in die Tinicum Pfarrstelle feierlich eingeführt.

Am 16. September wurde Pastor Wilhelm Weickfel in Shamokin eingeführt.

Am 29. September resignirte Pastor J. L. Becker die alte Sellersville Pfarrstelle und nahm am 16. Oktober einen Ruf der Trinitatis-Gemeinde in Lansdale an. Diese neue Lansdale-Pfarrstelle besteht aus der Christus-, Towamensing- und Trinitatis-Gemeinde. Er wurde am 25. November installirt.

Am 30. September wurde Pastor J. Niemann in der deutschen Gemeinde in Norristown, Pa., von Pastor J. J. Kündig, Präsident der deutschen Konferenz installirt.

Am 30. September verabschiedete sich Pastor E. A. Behrens von der Christus-Gemeinde in Cramer Hill, N. J., und zog nach Melrose, New York.

Am 11. Oktober zeigte mir Pastor H. H. Rippe an, daß er einen Ruf von der derzeitigen unabhängigen Gemeinde in Egg Harbor City angenommen habe und sie in Verbindung mit New Germany zu bedienen gedenke.

Am 19. Oktober theilte mir Pastor J. K. Poulsen, früher Missionar des General-Concils in Ostindien, und als solcher — auf unserer Namensliste stehend mit, daß er einen Ruf von einer kleinen dänischen Gemeinde in Portland, Me., angenommen habe. Ich rieth ihm, sich sobald als möglich mit einer dänischen Synode zu verbinden. Er ersuchte mich, ihn noch eine kleine Weile in seiner Synodalverbindung ruhen zu lassen; jedoch nachher, wie in einem anderen Theile dieses Berichts angegeben ist, wurde er entlassen.

Am 21. Oktober wurde Pastor E. H. Gerhart in der Church of the Nativity, Philadelphia, von Dr. C. W. Schäffer installirt.

Am 1. November nahm Pastor S. B. Stupp die Gemeinde in Phönixville an und wurde am 16. December installirt.

Am 1. November übernahm P. J. O. McAtee die neue, von der englischen Missionsbehörde von Philadelphia organisirte englische St. James-

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Gemeinde, und sandte mir seine ehrenvolle Entlassung aus seiner Synode, und die Bitte um Aufnahme in unser Ministerium.

Am 2. December wurde Pastor J. J. Reitz in dem Cherryville Pfarrdistrikt installirt.

Am 9. December wurde Pastor W. A. Sadtler in der englischen St. Stephans-Kirche in Wilmington, Del., installirt.

Am 9. December übernahm Pastor A. J. Heißler die Gemeinden Vineland und Millville und da er mir seine ehrenvolle Entlassung aus dem New Yorker Ministerium zugesandt hatte, wurde er am 13. Januar 1889 installirt.

Dasselbe that Herr Pastor C. A. Gräpp, der dann auch am 27. Januar installirt wurde.

Am 1. April trat Pastor J. W. Early sein Amt in Jersey Shore, Lycoming Co., Pa., an und wurde am 2. Juni installirt.

Am 11. April installirte Pastor F. P. Mayser, Pastor J. H. Meyer in der deutschen evang.-luth. Trinitatis-Kirche in Steelton, Pa., früher von Pastor J. Heck bedient.

Am 12. April nahm Pastor J. J. Heißler einen Ruf von der neuen Adventsgemeinde in Trenton, N. J., an und wurde am 5. Mai von Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann installirt.

Am 16. April benachrichtigte mich Pastor J. Zentner, daß er einen Ruf von der Gemeinde in Mahanoy City angenommen habe und seine Gemeinde zu Philipsburg, N. J., am 1. August verlassen werde.

Am 1. Mai übernahm Pastor W. C. L. Lauer die Stelle zu Millersville, Lancaster Co., Pa., und wurde am 19. Mai vom Präsidenten der 4. Konferenz installirt.

Am 1. Mai schrieb Pastor E. S. Brownmiller, daß er in Ephrata resignirt habe, um die früher von Pastor T. T. Jäger bedienten Gemeinden zu übernehmen, und daß er deßwegen in der Stadt Reading zu wohnen gedenke.

Am 4. Mai theilte mir Pastor J. Hillpot mit, daß er einen Ruf von der Walmer-Pfarrstelle in Lebanon Co. angenommen habe.

Am 5. Mai wurde Pastor O. P. Smith als Pastor der Verklärungs-Kirche in Pottstown, Pa., (früher von Dr. B. M. Schmucker bedient) installirt.

Am 10. Mai resignirte Pastor S. S. Henry die Pine Valley-Stelle und folgte einem Rufe einer Gemeinde der Westpennsylvanischen Synode, mit welcher er sich zu verbinden gedenkt.

Entlassungen.

Am 28. Juni 1888 Pastor O. Reber an die Canada-Synode.

Am 1. Oktober Pastor E. Holm an das ehrw. Ministerium von New York.

Am 14. Juli Pastor J. R. Groff an die Pittsburg-Synode.

Am 18. Juli Pastor Albert J. Gräpp an dieselbe Synode.

Am 18. Juli Pastor J. A. W. Haas an das ehrw. Ministerium von New York.

Am 20. November Pastor Hiram J. Kuder an die Distrikts-Synode von Ohio.

Am 22. November Pastor J. G. Abele an das ehrw. Ministerium von New York.

Am 26. November Pastor J. H. Wyse an die Synode von Nord Carolina.

Am 5. Februar 1889 Pastor H. C. Schmieder an die Canada-Synode.

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Am 9. April Pastor Prof. K. O. Lomen an die norwegische Augustana-Synode.

Am 17. April Pastor J. K. Poulsen an die Dänische Synode.

Am 22. April Pastor W. A. Beates an die Pittsburg-Synode.

Am 9. Mai Pastor E. A. Behrens an das ehrw. Ministerium von New York.

Am 10. Mai sandte ich das in solchen Fällen übliche Zeugniß an Pastor S. S. Henry.

Am 25. Mai Pastor Lewis Smith, an das ehrw. Ministerium von New York.

Am 11. Juni Pastor W. Dieckhoff an die Pittsburg-Synode.

Ecksteinlegungen.

Am 23. Juni 1888 der luth. Immanuels-Kirche, Mainville, Columbia Co., Pa., Pastor J. H. Neiman.

Am 16. September der deutschen luth. Christus-Kirche, Philadelphia, Pa., Pastor H. Weigand.

Am 7. Oktober der englischen Grace- (Gnaden) Kirche, Reading, Pa., Pastor W. H. Myers. Der untere Raum des neuen Gebäudes wurde am 13. April 1889 eingeweiht und die Kirche wird wahrscheinlich bald vollendet werden.

Am 31. März der luth. St. Pauls-Kirche, Numidia, Columbia Co., Pa., Pastor J. H. Neiman.

Einweihung von Kirchen.

Am 5. August 1888 die St. Pauls-Kirche zu Catasauqua.

Im August die St. Pauls-Kirche zu Great Bend, Pa., Pastor J. Stump.

Am 17. Oktober die gemeinschaftliche Kapelle, East Butler, Luzerne Co., Pa., Pastor J. J. Kuntz.

Am 24. März 1889 die luth. Emanuels-Kirche, Mainville, Columbia Co., Pa., Pastor J. H. Neiman.

Am 31. März die luth. Salems-Kirche, Bethlehem, Pa., Pastor Enoch Smith.

Am 7. April die englische Stephans-Kirche, Wilmington, Del., Pastor W. A. Sadtler.

Am 21. April Neue Jerusalem-Kirche, Schwenksville, Pa.

Kirchen verschönert.

Am 7. Oktober 1888 wurde die Kirche zu Amityville, Berks Co., Pa., (Pastor Ulrich P. Heilman) nach völliger Restauration, durchaus schuldenfrei, feierlich wiedereröffnet.

Am 28. April wurden die unteren Räume der englischen Christus-Kirche, Easton, die bedeutend verschönert worden waren, wieder bezogen, Pastor J. M. Anspach.

Am 4. November hörten die Glieder der Gemeinde zu Bangor, Pa., (Pastor B. F. Apple) zum ersten Male den Ruf zum Gottesdienste, der von der schönen, neuen, 1300 Pfund schweren Glocke, die ein Freund geschenkt hatte, ausging.

Am 31. December wurde die erneuerte Zionskirche bei Ringtown (Pastor D. D. Bartholomew) wieder eingeweiht. Dasselbe geschah am 27. Januar 1889 mit der St. Johanniskirche, Allentown, Pa., (Pastor S. A. Repaß,

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D. D.) dieselbe wurde am 30. Oktober vom Feuer heimgesucht und bedeutend beschädigt. Sie wurde darauf nicht nur wieder völlig hergestellt, sondern erhielt auch eine neue Front und einen stattlichen Thurm. Das Ganze kostete $18,000.

Die St. Johannis-Kirche, Stroudsburg (Pastor J. J. Foust), in welcher auch bedeutende Verbesserungen vorgenommen wurden, wurde am 24. Februar feierlich wieder eröffnet.

Vor kurzem eröffnete die alte St. Johannis-Gemeinde, Easton, (Pastor D. H. Geissinger ein großes schönes Sonntagschulgebäude, welches der Kirche angebaut ist und $15,000 kostete.

Neue Gemeinden.

Die erste Konferenz berichtet die Aufnahme folgender Gemeinden:

Die von Pastor D. H. Reiter bediente Christus-Gemeinde zu Trumbauersville, zwei die Pastor O. F. Waage bedient, nämlich St. Paulus- und St. Johannis-Gemeinden, welche die Goschenhoppen-Pfarrstelle bilden.

Diese Gemeinden, einschließlich der Gemeinde zu Trumbauersville, von Pastor Reiter bedient, zählen zu den ältesten in Pennsylvanien und waren beinahe einhundert Jahre mit unserem Ministerium verbunden. Sie schieden aus demselben vor 48 Jahren. Die Synode freut sich gewiß, daß sie nun zurückgekehrt sind.

Die englische St. James-Gemeinde, von Pastor J. O. McAtee in Philadelphia bediente Gemeinde.

Die deutsche Advents-Gemeinde, Trenton, N. J., Pastor J. J. Heißler.

Die zweite Konferenz berichtet die Aufnahme der St. Markus-Gemeinde in Süd Bethlehem, Pa.

Diese Gemeinden sind, unserer Constitution gemäß, zur Vertretung berechtigt.

Suspension des Ehrw. Cyrill A. Droppa.

Nachdem ich schon verschiedene Berichte über Pastor C. A. Droppa erhalten hatte, kam zuletzt eine förmliche Klageschrift, am 26. Juni 1888, von drei Gliedern dieses Ministeriums unterzeichnet, in welcher er beschuldigt wurde, daß sein Betragen mit der Stellung als Prediger des Evangeliums unvereinbar sei. Ich sandte ihm sofort eine Abschrift und setzte mich mit Pastor E. Smith, dem Präsidenten der 2. Konferenz, zu welcher der Angeklagte gehört, in Verbindung. Mit seiner Zustimmung ernannte ich eine Untersuchungscommittee und forderte Pastor Droppa auf, vor derselben zur festgesetzten Zeit und am bestimmten Orte zu erscheinen. Am 9. Juli erhielt ich einen Brief von ihm, in welchem er mir anzeigte, daß er sich von unserem Ministerium zurückgezogen habe, und mich ersuchte, ihm eine Entlassung zukommen zu lassen. Er bekannte auch, daß er meine Aufforderung, vor der Committee zu erscheinen, erhalten habe, erklärte aber, daß er nicht erscheinen würde. Zugleich behauptete er seine Unschuld und beklagte sich über die Art und Weise, in welcher er von Gliedern unserer Synode behandelt worden sei.

Ich antwortete ihm, daß er sich nicht auf diese Weise zurückziehen, und daß ich ihn nicht entlassen könne, so lange solche Klagen gegen ihn vorlägen, und drang in ihn, vor der Committee zu erscheinen. Ich sandte seinen Brief an den Präsidenten der Konferenz, damit er ihn der Committee unterbreiten möchte. Am 13. Juli erhielt ich wieder einen Brief von Pastor Droppa, in

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welchem er sich noch einmal weigerte, vor der Untersuchungs-Committee zu erscheinen. Auch diesen Brief überwies ich dem Konferenz-Präsidenten. Am 27. Juli sandte mir derselbe den Bericht der Committee, welche sich am bestimmten Orte und zur rechten Zeit eingefunden und in Pastor Droppa's Abwesenheit die Zeugen verhört und die Sache sorgfältig untersucht hatte. Die Committee hat ihn als schuldig erfunden. Mit der Zustimmung des Präsidenten der Konferenz schrieb ich sofort an Pastor Droppa und zeigte ihm an, daß er von seinem Amte suspendirt sei, bis die diesjährige Synode eine Entscheidung in der Sache treffe. Auch machte ich diese Suspension durch unsere Kirchenblätter bekannt, und die Gemeinde, die er bedient hatte, wurde auch davon unterrichtet.

Da die von unserer Constitution vorgeschriebenen Schritte gethan worden sind, lege ich diesen Fall dem Ministerium zur Entscheidung vor.

Das neue Seminar.

Obwohl alles, was sich auf das neue Seminar bezieht, in dem Jahresbericht der Direktoren unseres theologischen Seminars vorgelegt werden wird, sei es mir gestattet, etwas darüber zu sagen. In meinem letzten Jahresbericht hatte ich das Vergnügen zu erwähnen, daß wir, kurz vor der Versammlung unserer Synode, den Grundstein des neuen Gebäudes legen durften. Durch Gottes Beistand sah sich Ihre Bau-Committee in den Stand gesetzt, das Werk mit solchem Erfolg zu betreiben, daß das neue Gebäude für die Aufnahme der Studenten im Spätjahr 1889 bereit sein wird. Sie hegt auch die Hoffnung, daß das schon stehende Hauptgebäude bis dahin auf eine solche Weise eingerichtet werden kann, daß man auf Mount Airy die Arbeit des neuen Seminarjahrs anfangen kann.

Es ist kaum nöthig, die Synode daran zu erinnern, daß es dann gerade fünfundzwanzig Jahre sein wird, seit die ersten Professoren unseres Seminars in der St. Johannis-Kirche in Philadelphia feierlich in ihr Amt eingeführt wurden, und der theologische Unterricht in dem Lutheran Publication House, No. 42 Nord Neunte Straße, anno 1864 seinen Anfang nahm. Blicken wir zurück auf diesen kleinen Anfang und auf alle die Schwierigkeiten mit, welchen wir zu kämpfen hatten, so haben wir gewiß hinlänglich Grund, dem lieben Gott von ganzem Herzen zu danken für den Segen, mit welchem Er bisher unsere Arbeit gekrönt hat, und daß Er uns die Gnade schenkt, auf dem neuen Grunde und in dem neuen Gebäude, das so lange nöthig war, und welches Viele kaum zu sehen erwarteten, das fünfundzwanzigste Jahresfest unserer Anstalt zu feiern. Dabei wollen wir nicht vergessen, daß nur ein Anfang gemacht worden und noch sehr viel zu thun ist, aber wir freuen uns über diese Erstlinge, und unser Glaube schaut schon die reiche, goldene Ernte. Auch sollten unsere Gemeinden und Pastoren nicht vergessen, ihre Beiträge einzusenden, und das ohne Zeitverlust, damit die Arbeiter den verdienten Lohn erhalten mögen.

Die Synode wird ohne Zweifel dafür sorgen, daß das Gründungsfest einer Anstalt, die für unsere und andere Gemeinden ein solcher Segen geworden ist, auf eine würdige Weise gefeiert werden möge.

Mühlenberg-College.

Es ist ganz natürlich, daß ich auch der andern Anstalt gedenke, über welche diese Synode zu verfügen hat, und von welcher sie so viele Zöglinge für ihr Seminar erhalten hat. Es wird die Synode freuen, aus dem Bericht des

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Verwaltungsraths zu vernehmen, daß die Anstalt befriedigende Fortschritte macht, und daß es der unermüdlichen Arbeit des Schatzmeisters und Agenten gelungen ist, Mittel zur Verminderung der Schulden herbei zu schaffen. Unsere Gemeinden sehen immer mehr ein, was wir beiden Anstalten zu verdanken haben und wie nöthig sie sind, und die Thatsache, daß in den letzten Jahren so viel für sie gethan worden ist, ist ein Beweis wachsenden Interesses und zunehmender Liberalität.

Die Anstalten in Germantown,

für die Versorgung der Waisen und der Alten, werden nie von unseren Gemeinden vergessen, und die Brüder, die mit der Verwaltung betraut sind, werden berichten, daß der liebe Gott auch in diesem Jahre, wie in allen vorhergehenden, liebende Herzen und Hände in vielen Gemeinden in Bewegung gesetzt hat, um für diejenigen, die sich selber nicht helfen können, den nöthigen Lebensunterhalt herbei zu schaffen.

Ein Ende nicht erreicht.

In meinem letzten Jahresbericht machte ich die Synode auf gewisse Uebelstände aufmerksam, welche durch den Druck gewisser Schriften befördert wurden. Die Synode schenkte denselben viel Zeit und eine ernste Erwägung und nahm zuletzt, mit großer Mehrheit, Beschlüsse an, in welchen der Geist, der in jenen Publikationen wehte, auf's entschiedenste gerügt wurde und die Brüder, welche für die Veröffentlichung derselben verantwortlich waren, aufgefordert wurden, „ihr Unrecht einzugestehen und nach Kräften wieder gut zu machen, und zwar in so voller und öffentlicher Weise, wie die von ihnen in Umlauf gesetzten Artikel."

Es ist kaum nöthig, daß ich der Synode mittheile, daß dieses nicht nur nicht geschehen ist, sondern daß auch noch andere Artikel in demselben Blatte erschienen sind, die noch schlimmer waren als die früheren. Ehe der ärgste dieser Artikel in demselben erschien, wurde er mir zugesandt als gedruckter Brief, der an mich, als Präsident der Synode, gerichtet war, und in welchem ich aufgefordert wurde, die Sache förmlich untersuchen zu lassen. Fünfzehn Exemplare dieses Briefes wurden gedruckt und mir wurden zwei gesandt. Derselbe Brief, mit wenigen Veränderungen, erschien späterhin in dem schon erwähnten Journal. Da der Verfasser dieses Briefes damals in Europa war und ich zuerst nicht wußte, was ich in einem solchen außerordentlichen Fall thun sollte, entschloß ich mich, einstweilen weitere Entwickelungen abzuwarten. Zuletzt entschloß ich mich, die Sache vor die Konferenz zu legen; da aber die beiden Brüder, die ganz besonders von derselben berührt wurden, zu zwei verschiedenen Konferenzen gehörten, fand ich es unmöglich, auf diesem Wege voranzugehen. Aber die erste Distriktskonferenz, zu welcher diese beiden Brüder früher gehörten, und in deren Bezirk sie noch wohnen, und mit dessen Präsidenten ich in dieser Angelegenheit korrespondiert hatte, nahm die Sache in die Hand in ihrer im Januar 1889 gehaltenen Versammlung und ersuchte mich, offiziell gewisse Schritte zu thun. Der erste, der mir vorgeschlagen wurde, war, daß ich die beiden Brüder vor mich nehmen solle, um wo möglich den Versuch zu machen, die Sache auf eine friedliche Weise zu schlichten. Sollte dieses fehlschlagen, dann sollte ich eine Untersuchungs-Committee ernennen.

Dieser Bitte gemäß habe ich die beiden Brüder eingeladen, sobald ich hörte, daß der Abwesende von Europa zurückgekehrt war. Es freute mich, von

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Beiden solche prompte und im christlichen Geiste verfaßte Antworten zu erhalten, in denen sie ihre Bereitwilligkeit, mit mir zusammen zu kommen, und den Wunsch, daß dieser Versuch, den Frieden herzustellen, gelingen möchte, aussprachen. Wir kamen am 6. Mai 1889 in der Bibliothek unseres Seminars zusammen, und nachdem wir uns über vier Stunden ganz offen über diese Angelegenheiten ausgesprochen hatten, schieden wir, in der Hoffnung, daß wir eine befriedigende Lösung gefunden hatten, und daß ich dieses Resultat in diesem Jahresberichte mittheilen könnte. Leider aber muß ich Ihnen mittheilen, daß diese Hoffnungen nicht in Erfüllung gegangen sind, und daß unsere weitere Korrespondenz es herausgestellt hat, daß eine Lösung und Aussöhnung nicht erreicht wurde. Während unserer Unterredung hatten die Brüder den ernstlichen Wunsch ausgesprochen, die Sache ohne weitere Untersuchung und Veröffentlichung im Frieden abzumachen, und hofften, daß es mir gelingen würde, für meinen Bericht an die Synode eine solche Form der Darstellung zu finden, die die Synode und die beiden Brüder befriedigen würde. Ich machte den Versuch und legte ihnen eine solche Form vor, die ich als Passus in meinem Bericht aufnehmen würde, wenn Beide damit einverstanden seien, in der Hoffnung, daß dann die Synode auch mit dieser privaten und friedlichen Lösung zufrieden sein würde.

Leider befriedigte meine Darstellung die Brüder nicht, und ich sehe mich genöthigt zu berichten, daß meine wohlgemeinten Vermittelungsversuche nicht gelungen sind.

Nach Allem, was ich in dieser Sache erfahren habe, erlaube ich mir, der Synode den Vorschlag zu machen, eine Committee zu ernennen, die den Auftrag habe, die ganze Sache gründlich zu untersuchen, — wie dieselbe die Pastoren Dr. A. Späth und F. Wischan, die Herausgeber von Kelle und Schwert und sonstige Personen angeht, um dann dem Präsidenten, nach der Vertagung der diesjährigen Synode, das Resultat zu berichten und ihm zu gleicher Zeit vorzuschlagen, was, unserer Synodalordnung gemäß, weiter in der Sache zu thun sei. Ich mache diesen Vorschlag, weil eine solche gründliche Untersuchung während der Versammlung der Synode nicht vorgenommen werden kann, und weil eine solche Untersuchung, wenn sie vorgenommen werden könnte, nicht zur Erbauung der Synode beitragen würde. Ich erachte, daß eine solche Untersuchung nöthig ist, nicht nur, weil manche Brüder schon letztes Jahr es beklagten, daß dieses nicht geschah, sondern auch, weil eine solche Untersuchung seither oft gefordert worden ist und es rein unmöglich scheint, auf irgend eine andere Weise die Sache befriedigend zu Ende zu bringen. Ich erlaube mir noch hinzuzusetzen, daß meine Korrespondenz mit diesen zwei Brüdern, die am 7. Mai anfing, bis zum letzten Dienstag fortgesetzt wurde, und daß dieser Theil meines Berichts erst an jenem Tage geschrieben werden konnte.

Verschiedenes.

Bei der letzten Versammlung der Synode wurde die Committee, bestehend aus den Beamten derselben und den Professoren unseres Seminars, welche den Auftrag hatte, einen neuen Ordinationsschein verfertigen zu lassen, angewiesen, denselben „in vorzüglichem Styl herstellen zu lassen, und auch die nöthigen Platten anzukaufen."

Die Committee hatte schon Fortschritte gemacht und kam zusammen, um die von künstlerischer Hand gezeichnete Vorlage zu betrachten. Da manche Glieder der Committee, und etliche Glieder der Synode, die zugegen waren,

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die Ansicht hatten, daß wahrscheinlich eine große Mehrheit in der Synode es vorziehen würde, einen ganz einfachen Schein zu haben, ohne Bilder und dergleichen, so wurde beschlossen, die Sache noch einmal der Synode vorzulegen, und die Sekretäre derselben zu ersuchen, einstweilen noch eine Anzahl einfacher Scheine für die jetzige Zeit anzuschaffen.

Am 26. November ernannte ich Herrn Heinrich Baetis an die durch Dr. Schmuckers Tod entstandene Lücke in der Committee, welche beauftragt war, mit den Beamten der englischen St. Johannis-Gemeinde in Philadelphia in Bezug auf die von derselben gegründeten Professur, zu unterhandeln. Es freut mich, berichten zu können, daß er diesen Auftrag übernahm.

Am 12. Juni 1888 sandten die Beamten der Synode eine offizielle Abschrift, unterzeichnet und mit dem Siegel versehen, der von der Synode passirten Beschlüsse, an die Präsidenten der Kirchenräthe der Zions-Gemeinde und der St. Paulus-Gemeinde in Philadelphia. Die offizielle Antwort der Corporation der Zions-Gemeinde erhielt ich am 25. December 1888, und die der St. Paulus-Gemeinde am 18. Januar 1889. Ich antwortete ohne Zögern, daß ich diese Beschlüsse erhalten habe und der Synode vorlegen werde. Sie sind meinem Berichte beigelegt, da dieselben aber in dem Bericht des Direktoriums des Seminars zur Sprache kommen werden, glaubte ich nicht, daß es nöthig sei, den Inhalt auch hier anzugeben.

Die letztjährige Synode gab mir den Auftrag, „Herrn G. M. Kinsler unser Bedauern auszusprechen, daß er sich wegen vorgerückten Alters bewogen fühlt, eine Wiedererwählung abzulehnen, ihm aber auch zugleich den herzlichen Dank und die Anerkennung dieses Körpers für seine treuen Dienste in der Ausrichtung seines Amtes auszudrücken." Das habe ich nach meiner Rückkehr von der Synode gethan, und Herrn Kinslers Antwort beweist, wie tief ihm diese Anerkennung von Seiten der Synode zu Herzen gegangen ist.

Auch erhielten die Beamten den Auftrag, der Frau des verstorbenen Henry Singmaster die von der Synode angenommenen Beschlüsse „in schöner Schrift aufgezeichnet, von den Beamten unterschrieben und eingerahmt," zuzusenden. Wir ließen diese Arbeit von einem der besten Schönschreiber in New York verfertigen, und nachdem dieselbe einen schönen Rahmen hatte, wurde sie durch Pastor J. J. Foust von Stroudsburg auf eine passende Weise der geehrten Wittwe überreicht. Er zeigte uns späterhin an, wie sehr diese Anerkennung von Seiten der Synode sie gefreut habe.

Am 7. Mai 1889, eine Woche vor seiner Abreise nach Europa, sandte mir Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann seinen Bericht als Archivarius, den ich hiermit beilege. Er hatte sich schon an den ehrw. Präsidenten des Direktoriums des theologischen Seminars, sowie an mich gewendet, wegen seiner Abreise vor der Vollendung des Studienjahres. Während wir seine Gegenwart und seine rege und werthvolle Theilnahme in unseren Versammlungen vermissen werden, so haben wir die Ueberzeugung, daß nur das Gefühl der Pflicht ihn zu dieser Zeit wegführt, und es ist unsere Hoffnung und unser Gebet, daß Gott die Gesundheit der Seinigen, um deretwillen er diese Reise unternommen hat, wieder herstellen wolle, und daß er, mit erneuter Kraft, seine Stelle in unserem Seminar wieder einnehmen möge.

Am 1. August 1888 erhielt ich einen Brief von Prof. Dr. H. V. Hilprecht, in welchem er mir mittheilte, daß er und die anderen Glieder der von der Universität von Pennsylvanien ausgesandten Expedition der Alterthumsforscher, die in den alten Ruinen Babylons wichtige Entdeckungen zu machen hofften,

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am 15. jenes Monats abreisen würde, und mich bat, ihn bei der Synode zu entschuldigen. Ich versicherte ihn, daß unsere Synode das größte Interesse an diesem wichtigen Unternehmen nehmen werde, besonders da eines ihrer Glieder eine solche hervorragende Stellung in demselben habe, und wünschte ihm Gottes Segen zu seiner Reise, hin und her. Es freut mich, hinzusetzen zu können, daß die letzten von ihm erhaltenen Nachrichten von seiner guten Gesundheit und dem erfolgreichen Fortgang der Arbeit reden. Ich lege den obenerwähnten Brief hiermit bei.

Ich erhielt, wie gewöhnlich, die jährlichen Interessen des Streit'schen Legats von Halle in Deutschland, — und zwar am 21. August 1888, und sandte den ihnen zugehörenden Theil an den Präsidenten des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von New York und an den Präsidenten der luth. Synode von West-Pennsylvanien.

Am Abend des 27. September 1888 versammelte sich eine große Gemeinde in der deutschen evang.-luth. Zions-Kirche in Philadelphia, zu einem Gedächtniß-Gottesdienst zum Andenken an Pastor Carl Rudolph Demme, D.D., der gerade vor 25 Jahren als Pastor jener Gemeinde gestorben war. Diese außergewöhnliche Feier wurde von den Gliedern des Kirchenraths jener Gemeinde angeordnet zur dankbaren Erinnerung an den langen und ausgezeichneten Dienst des Herrn Dr. Demme, dessen Verdienste an unserer Synode nie vergessen werden können. Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann, ein früherer Kollege des Verstorbenen, hielt eine Ansprache in deutscher, und der Präsident der Synode, der ein Schüler Dr. Demmes war, eine in englischer Sprache.

Am 2. Oktober schickte mir Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann das Manuskript eines von ihm geschriebenen Tractats über Taufe und Wiedergeburt. Die Synode hatte nämlich vor einem Jahre beschlossen, daß solche Tractate von den Gliedern der Fakultät und dem Präsidenten der Synode geprüft werden müssen, ehe sie gedruckt werden können. Da dieser Tractat von den übrigen Gliedern der Fakultät approbirt worden war, sandte ich ihn mit meiner Genehmigung zurück.

Am 19. Okt. schrieb mir Pastor J. K. Poulsen, früher Missionar unter den Telugus, und in unserer Namenliste als Glied dieses Körpers aufgezeichnet, daß er einen Ruf von einer kleinen dänischen Gemeinde in Portland, Maine, angenommen habe, und es für seine Pflicht ansah, mich davon zu benachrichtigen. Ich antwortete ihm, daß er recht gethan habe, weil sein Name auf unserer Liste stehe, daß ich ihm aber rathe, sobald als möglich in eine dänische Synode, welcher seine Gemeinde auch beitreten könnte, einzutreten, und mich dann davon zu benachrichtigen, damit ich ihm eine Entlassung geben könne. Das ist nachher, wie schon berichtet, geschehen.

Am 26. November 1888 wurde von mir und dem englischen Sekretär, Pastor J. M. Anspach, ein Deed für das bisher der Synode gehörende Eigenthum in Claymont Straße, Philadelphia, von John McIlhenry, für die Summe von $4000 ausgefertigt, und mit unseren Unterschriften und dem Siegel des Ministeriums versehen. Dieses geschah nach der Ordnung unserer Constitution und auf das Verlangen des Schatzmeisters und der Finanz-Committee.

Am 8. December 1888 benachrichtigte mich Dr. Späth, daß am 6. December das Mary Drexel Home und Philadelphia Mutterhaus für Diakonissen, das durch die großartige Liberalität des Herrn J. D. Lankenau errichtet worden ist, in Gegenwart vieler Theilnehmenden, dem Dienste Gottes feierlich ge-

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weihet worden sei, und daß, zu gleicher Zeit, der neue Rector der Anstalt, Pastor A. Cordes, in sein Amt eingeführt wurde. Da derselbe, dem Charter der Anstalt gemäß, ein Glied unseres Körpers sein muß, hat mir derselbe schon gemeldet, daß er bei dieser Versammlung um Aufnahme nachsuchen wird. Das herrliche Gebäude, das seinem Zwecke in jeder Beziehung entspricht, ist eine Zierde der Stadt, ein Denkmal für Herrn Lankenau und gereicht auch unserer Synode zur Ehre. Möge nun auch die Kirche, und insbesondere unsere Synode alles thun, was gethan werden kann, um diese Anstalt in den Stand zu setzen, die Pläne des wohlthätigen Gründers in Erfüllung zu bringen.

Am 24. Januar 1889 theilte mir Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß, Sekretär des Verwaltungsraths vom Mühlenberg College, folgenden Beschluß mit, der am 22. Januar 1889 angenommen wurde, mit der Bitte, denselben vor die Synode zu legen. Er lautet also: „Beschlossen, daß die Synode ersucht werde, bei ihrer nächsten Versammlung, bei der Wahl für Glieder des Verwaltungsraths vom Mühlenberg College zu bedenken, daß es wünschenswerth sei, auch solche Prediger und Laien dazu zu erwählen, die zu den Alumnen jener Anstalt gehören.

Am 17. Mai benachrichtigte mich Pastor G. W. Mechling, englischer Sekretär des General-Concils, daß ihm der Auftrag geworden sei, diesem Ministerium mitzutheilen, daß die Summe von $5000 für die Unterstützung des englischen einheimischen Missionswerkes, und eine gleiche Summe für die des deutschen Werkes des General-Concils erbeten und erwartet werde.

Am 29. Mai theilte mir Pastor F. K. Bernd mit, daß der verstorbene Karl Kuhns, ein Glied seiner Jordan-Gemeinde, den übrig bleibenden Theil seines Vermögens unserem theol. Seminar vermacht habe, dessen Betrag aber erst nach dem Tode der Wittwe ermittelt und überliefert werden kann. Das ist wieder ein erfreulicher Beweis, daß eine wachsende Anzahl unserer Gemeindeglieder anfängt, an unsere Anstalten zu denken, wenn sie an die Austheilung ihres Eigenthums kommen.

Am 30. Mai legte mir Pastor Hill im Namen der Bau-Committee zwei Noten vor, in welchen das Ministerium verspricht, eine Summe von $5000 und eine von $3748 in 60 Tagen zu bezahlen. Dieses war nöthig, um die Committee in den Stand zu setzen, die Baumeister abzubezahlen. Ich habe diese Noten unterzeichnet und mit dem Siegel versehen, weil mir die Constitution dazu die Vollmacht gab.

Auch habe ich von einer Anzahl ordinirter Pastoren, sowie von Studenten der Theologie, Anmeldungen um Aufnahme in unser Ministerium erhalten, welche ich unserer Examinations-Committee unterbreitet habe, vor welcher die Applikanten eingeladen wurden zu erscheinen.

Schluß.

Ich habe das Gefühl, daß ich diesen Bericht nicht schließen sollte, ohne ein Wort von dem schrecklichen Unglück, das vor kurzem die Bewohner von Johnstown und dem Conemaugh Thal, im westlichen Pennsylvanien betroffen hat, zu sagen. Die Mutter-Synode der luth. Kirche in Pennsylvanien kann es nicht unterlassen, ihr tiefstes Mitgefühl mit ihren Mitbürgern in jenem Theile unseres großen Staates auszusprechen, und mit dem innigen Gebet vor Gott zu treten, daß es Ihm gefallen möge, die so schwer Heimgesuchten zu trösten und mit Seiner Kraft zu stärken. Inmitten dieser Heimsuchung, die alle, welche unser Land bisher erfahren hat — übertrifft, haben wir doch Ursache, Gott zu

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danken, für die Beweise des Glaubens, die sich unter den schwer Geprüften gefunden haben, und für das brüderliche Mitgefühl unseres Volkes in allen Theilen unseres Landes, das sich nicht nur in Worten, sondern auch in Liebesthaten reichlich erwiesen hat. Wir freuen uns über diese Beweise der Macht des Evangeliums unseres Herrn Jesu Christi, und daß unser Volk stets bereit ist, die hülfreiche Hand darzubieten, wo die Noth dieselbe dazu auffordert.

Gern hätte ich an unsere Gemeinden einen Aufruf zur milden Beisteuer für die Heimgesuchten ergehen lassen, wenn ich dazu bevollmächtigt gewesen wäre; aber, obwohl dieses nicht geschah, so hatte ich doch die innere Ueberzeugung, daß unsere Brüder und unsere Gemeinden es nicht versäumt haben, ihre milden Gaben zu denen ihrer Mitbürger zu legen und auch bereit sind, das noch ferner zu thun, so lange es nöthig ist.

Da die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode von so vielen wichtigen Dingen in Anspruch genommen werden wird, so stehe ich davon ab, besondere Vorschläge zu machen und schließe meinen Bericht mit dem Gebet, daß der Herr, der uns die Verheißung gegeben, Er wolle denen, die Ihn darum bitten, die nöthige Weisheit schenken, uns also leiten und führen wolle, daß unsere Verhandlungen zur Verherrlichung Seines Namens, und zum Aufbau Seiner Kirche dienen mögen. Amen. **G. F. Krotel.**

New York, 10. Juni 1889.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen, um an eine später zu ernennende Committee überwiesen zu werden. Hierauf folgte die Beamtenwahl. Folgende Wahlcommittee wurde ernannt: Geistliche: Ehrw. F. P. Bender, F. K. Huntzinger, U. P. Heilman, J. Darmstätter; Gemeinde-Abgeordnete: Wm. Hauff, G. O. Schraishuhn, Heinr. Johnston.

Der Schatzmeister der Synode, Dr. Samuel Laird, verlas sodann den

Bericht des Schatzmeisters.

Samuel Laird in Rechnung mit dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien.

Vom 23. Mai 1888 bis 11. Juni 1889.

I. Allgemeiner Fond.

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		Ausgaben der Synodal-Beamten	220 56
		Ausgaben des Sekretärs der Executiv-Committee	55 00
		Ausgaben des Delegaten an das N. Y. Ministerium	10 00
		Schatzmeisters-Gehalt	400 00
		Versicherungskosten der Bibliothek von Dr. Krauth	90 00
		Kirchendiener in Lancaster	20 00
		Ausgaben der Committee für Ordinations-Scheine	14 75
		Weitere Ausgaben	81 06
		Bilanz in der Kasse	3,328 52
	$20,803 74		$20,803 74

II. Einheimische Missions-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge	$1,063 77	Missionen der Synode	$4,509 04
Zinsen	130 00	Philadelphia Stadtmissionen	2,986 68
Collecte im Seminar	29 57	Kaplan des deutschen Hospitals	150 00
Aus dem allgemeinen Fond	6,402 38		
	$7,625 72		$7,625 72

III. Heiden-Missions-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge	$3,167 96	An W. H. Staake, Schatzmeister der Heiden-Missions-Committee	$3,292 96
Zinsen	125 00		
	$3,292 96		$3,292 96

IV. Erziehungs-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge		$ 783 33	Studenten im Seminar		$2,620 00
Zinsen		84 85	Studenten im Collegium		1,522 50
Unterstützung zurückbezahlt von:			Ausgelegt in Bonds und Mortgages		500 00
Ehrw. J. F. Beates	$25 00				
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„ J. H. Wyse	5 00				
„ W. Hoppe	50 00				
„ J. J. Kline	145 00				
		230 00			
Hauptsumme von angelegtem Kapital zurückgezahlt		500 00			
Aus der allgemeinen Kasse		3,044 32			
		$4,642 50			$4,642 50

V. Pastoren-Wittwen- und Waisen-Kasse.

Directe Beiträge	$ 42 40	Ausbezahlt an Wittwen	$1,100 00
Aus dem allgemeinen Fond	1,257 60	Ausbezahlt an Ehrw. J. H. Voß	200 00
	$1,300 00		$1,300 00

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VI. Englisches Gesangbuch-Kasse.

Bilanz vom letzten Jahr.....	$1.731 87	Ausbezahlt für Bücher zum Gebrauch der Committee.....	$ 190 76
		Ausbezahlt um die Ausgaben der Sub-Committee zu decken	56 95
		Druckkosten.....	68 25
		Bilanz in der Kasse.....	1,415 91
	$1,731 87		$1,731 87

Kasse des Theologischen Seminars.

VII. Laufende Ausgaben.

Einnahme vom fundirten Kapital.....	$6,102 38	Im letzten Jahresberichte gemeldete Mehrausgabe.....	$ 448 66
Von Gemeinden.....	169 90	Professoren-Gehalt	5,382 85
Vom New York-Ministerium ...	105 00	Bibliothekar des Seminars.....	50 00
Interessen.....	86 34	Seminardieners Gehalt, 13 Monate	270 84
Aus dem allgemeinen Fond	500 00	Kohlen und Gas.....	653 91
Kasse überzogen.....	193 88	Wassertaxe für 1888.....	46 20
		Reparaturen, Erneuerungen und andere Ausgaben.....	305 04
	$7,157 50		$7,157 50

VIII. Fundirungs-Kapital.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1888.....	$1,256 26	Neu angelegte Gelder.....	$8,500 00
Kapital von Mortgages zurückbezahlt.....	7,250 00	Kosten der Aufkündigung der Mortgage und Ankauf des Eigenthums, 114 Claymont Str., Philadelphia.....	300 00
Von Vermächtnissen.....	805 00	Bilanz.....	811 26
Kosten der Aufkündigung der Mortgage und Ankauf des Eigenthums, 114 Claymont Str., Phil'a, zurückbezahlt...	300 00		
	$9,611 26		$9,611 26

IX. Seminar-Baufond.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1888.....$15,538 70		Ausbezahlt an G. Thompson, Contractor, auf das neue Gebäude $34,874 77	
Erhalten vom Ehrw. R. Hill, Agent.....	26,680 88	Au Geissinger & Hales, Architecten.....	1,809 61
		Arbeit und Material für das Gebäude und Mansion House zu Mt. Airy.....	689 29
		Versicherung des neuen Gebäudes.....	120 00
		Verzeichnungen u. Electrotype-Platten	45 60
		Interessen für Bonds.....	1,500 00
		Taxen für West-Philadelphia-Eigenthum, 1888.....	148 00
		Wassertaxe für Mt. Airy Eigenthum, 1888.....	9 45
		Salarium des Agenten.....	1,666 66
		Reisekosten des Agenten.....	144 55
		Bilanz in der Kasse.....	1,211 65
	$42,219 58		$42,219 58

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X. Bibliothek-Fond.

Bilanz laut Bericht 1888	$160 27	Für Bücher und Einbinden.....	$ 50 74
Einnahme von angelegten Geldern.....	42 50	Frachtkosten für Sendung von Dr. Schmucker's Bücher nach Philadelphia.....	14 29
		Bilanz in der Kasse.....	137 74
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Samuel Laird, Schatzmeister.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und nachher einer Committee zur Prüfung übergeben.

Als Zeit der Sitzungen wurde bestimmt: Vormittags halb 9 bis halb 12, Nachmittags 2 bis 5 Uhr. Vertagt. Dr. A. Späth sprach das Gebet.

Zweite Sitzung.

Freitag, den 14. Juni, ½9 Uhr Vorm.

Die Sitzung wurde mit Gesang des Liedes „Nun danket alle Gott" und einem Gebet, gesprochen von Dr. F. A. Mühlenberg, eröffnet.

Die Wahlaufseher berichteten, daß der Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Krotel als Präsident, der Ehrw. J. M. Anspach als englischer und der Ehrw. L. Lindenstruth als deutscher Sekretär wieder erwählt seien, daß jedoch für Schatzmeister keine Wahl stattgefunden habe. Auch der zweite Wahlgang blieb ohne Resultat. Nach dem dritten Wahlgang berichtete die Committee, daß der Ehrw. J. K. Plitt zum Schatzmeister erwählt worden sei.

Der ehrw. Präsident ersuchte die Präsidenten der Distrikts-Konferenzen sich mit ihm im untern Raum der Kirche zu versammeln, um die verschiedenen Committeen zu ernennen. Während seiner Abwesenheit führte Dr. J. A. Seiß den Vorsitz.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas sodann den

Bericht der Executiv-Committee.

Im Synodaljahr 1888—1889 hielt die Executiv-Committee vier Versammlungen, und zwar die erste in Lancaster, Pa., und die andern in Reading, Pa.

I. Erziehung.

Während des Jahres hat das Ministerium neunundzwanzig Studirende, die sich für das Predigtamt vorbereiten, unterstützt, nämlich:

Im theologischen Seminar.

In der Seniorklasse: H. W. Elson, C. J. Jeffries, E. T. Kretschman, J. C. Park, N. T. Schmidt und H. W. Warmkessel.

In der Mittelklasse: Charles Glatzert, G. A. Genzmer und P. B. Smith.

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In der Juniorklasse: W. F. Bond, C. D. Clauß, C. Fetter, G. Gebert, J. F. Lambert, H. M. Petreu und J. M. Wenrich.
Gesammtzahl: 17.

Im Mühlenberg-Collegium.

In der Seniorklasse: J. B. Heil, F. C. Oberly und J. H. Raker.
In der Juniorklasse: J. B. Ritter und W. P. Sachs.
In der Sophomoreklasse: A. M. Brown, W. W. Kistler und H. F. J. Seneker.
In der Freshmanklasse: N. G. Bertolet, A. L. Ramer, J. H. Stettler und E. H. Trafford.
Gesammtzahl: 12.

Die Unterstützung aus der Synodal-Kasse für die Studenten beträgt:

Für die Studenten im theologischen Seminar	$2620.00
„ „ „ „ Mühlenberg-Kollegium.....	1522.50
Zusammen	$4142.50

Dazu kommt die Einnahme folgender Stipendien von den Folgenden gestiftet:

Trinitatis-Gemeinde, Reading, Pa.
Herrn W. A. Arnold, Reading, Pa.
Herrn S. H. Kutz, Reading, Pa.
Herrn Jacob Fegley, Pottstown, Pa.
Herrn Georg H. Reinöhl, Lebanon, Pa.

Durch diese Stipendien wurden der Synode $250 erspart.

Die Fakultäten des theologischen Seminars und des Mühlenberg-Kollegiums berichteten regelmäßig über Fleiß und Betragen der Studenten in ihren betreffenden Anstalten.

Besondere Fälle erhielten die unverzügliche Aufmerksamkeit der Committee.

Nach Beschluß der Synode wurden $1000.00 aus der Synodal-Kasse dem Mühlenberg-Kollegium für laufende Ausgaben und $600.00 für Unterstützung der deutschen Professur verwilligt. Auch wurde eine Summe, die nicht mehr als $500.00 sein dürfte, für laufende Ausgaben des theologischen Seminars verwilligt.

Die Central-Committee für die Prüfung und Aufnahme von Studenten bestand aus folgenden Gliedern: Pastor F. J. F. Schantz, Pastor J. Fry, D. D. und Pastor J. J. Kündig.

Die Zahl der Applikanten war in diesem Jahre nicht so groß wie in den früheren Jahren.

Die stehende Committee für Wiedererlangung der Unterstützungsgelder, an Studenten ausbezahlt, bestand aus: Pastor S. Laird, D. D., Schatzmeister der Synode und Pastor F. J. F. Schantz, Sekretär der Executiv-Committee. Die von ihnen geführte Korrespondenz wurde berichtet und der Vorschlag folgende Summen, wegen geringen Gehalts oder Dienste in Missions-Gebieten, den unten Genannten zu erlassen, gemacht: Pastor M. J. Englund $50.00, Pastor J. K. Wismer $50.00, Pastor J. J. Foust $50.00, Pastor J. W. Smith $50.00, Pastor G. J. Schäffer $100.00, Pastor E. T. Krause $50.00, Pastor J. H. Umbenhen $50.00, Pastor R. D. Röder $50, Pastor

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J. H. Ritter $75.00, Pastor S. G. Weiskotten $75.00, Pastor S. L. Keller $50.00, Pastor W. J. Fink $75.00.

Der Vorschlag der Committee wurde angenommen. Die Committee berichtete auch, wie viel im letzten Jahre dem Schatzmeister zurückbezahlt wurde.

II. Einheimische Mission.

Im verflossenen Jahre erhielten 40 Missionen im Verbande der Synode Unterstützung.

Von diesen stehen 28 unter der direkten Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee, 6 unter der Aufsicht der deutschen Stadtmissions-Behörde und 6 unter der englischen.

Bei den Versammlungen der Executiv-Committee wurden die Berichte der Missionare vorgelegt und Unterstützungen nach Bedürfniß verwilligt; die Unterstützung einiger wurde vermindert und anderer erhöhet.

Unterstützungen für neue Missionen machten die Erhöhung von Missions-Gaben nothwendig.

Folgende Missionen stehen unter der directen Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee:

In der ersten Konferenz.

Riverside, N. J. — Pastor T. N. Ander. Diese Mission besteht aus den Gemeinden Riverside und Hainesport, N. J. Es werden $200.00 verwilligt.

Millville, N. J. — Pastor A. J. Heißler. Die Mission besteht aus zwei Gemeinden, die eine in Millville und die andere in Vineland, N. J. Die Unterstützung war $150.00.

Cramer Hill, N. J. — Pastor C. A. Gräpp. Die Mission besteht aus den Gemeinden Cramer Hill und Woodbury, N. J. Unterstützung $250.00.

New Germany, N. J. — Pastor H. H. Rippe. Die Mission besteht aus der Gemeinde in New Germany, N. J. Die Gemeinde in Egg Harbor City, N. J., wurde auch von Pastor Rippe versorgt. Die Gemeinde wird Anspruch machen um Aufnahme in den Verband der Synode. Der Missionar hat sich auch der Lutheraner in Atlantic City und andern Orten angenommen. Unterstützung $200.00.

Wilmington, Del. — Pastor W. A. Sadtler. Diese englische Mission wurde letztes Jahr kurze Zeit vor der Versammlung der Synode gegründet. Die Zahl der Gemeinde-Glieder und der Kinder in der Sonntagschule hat stark zugenommen. Eine Kirche ist gekauft worden. Die Unterstützung war $250.00 für das Jahr, wird aber $400.00 für ein Jahr sein, sobald der Missionar in Wilmington wohnt.

Norristown, Pa. — Pastor Robert D. Röder. Die Mission besteht aus der Grace-Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung war $150.00 für das Jahr. Auf Ersuchen der Gemeinde selbst wird die Unterstützung $125.00 für ein Jahr sein.

Doylestown, Pa. — Pastor D. L. Coleman. Die Mission besteht aus der Gemeinde in Doylestown. Unterstützung $150.00.

Chester, Pa. "Church of the Holy Trinity". Diese Mission wurde von Gliedern der ersten Konferenz versorgt und ist sehr gewachsen. Die Un-

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terstützung wird $400.00 für ein Jahr sein, sobald ein Pastor in Chester wohnt.

In der zweiten Konferenz.

Bangor, Pa. — Pastor B. F. Apple. Die Mission besteht aus der Trinity-Gemeinde und ist sehr gewachsen. Die Unterstützung war $200.00 für ein Jahr, wurde aber bei der April-Versammlung der Committee auf $150.00 vermindert.

Catasauqua, Pa. — Pastor D. M. Henkel, D. D. Die Mission besteht aus der Trinity-Gemeinde. Die Zahl der Glieder hat zugenommen und die Schuld der Gemeinde ist vermindert worden. Bis Oktober 1888 war die Unterstützung $200.00 und seitdem $150 für ein Jahr.

Weatherly, Pa. — Pastor G. G. Kunkel. Die Mission besteht aus der Zions-Gemeinde. Der Missionar berichtete ein erfreuliches Wachsthum der Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung war $100.00.

Freeland, Pa. — Pastor J. H. Schmidt. Die Mission besteht aus den Gemeinden, zu Eckly, Yeddo, Freeland und Upper Lehigh in Luzerne County. Der Missionar und die Mission mußten in Folge der schlechten Zeit im letzten Jahr viel leiden. Die Unterstützung war $150.00.

Die slavonische Mission in Luzerne Co. — Kein Missionar war in diesem Felde im letzten Jahr. Die Unterstützung wird $150.00 für ein Jahr sein, sobald ein Pastor an Ort und Stelle sein wird.

Summit Hill, Pa. — Pastor A. C. Wuchter. Die Mission wird Summit Hill-, Lansford- und Hauto-Mission genannt. Die Unterstützung war $200.00.

Wilkesbarre, Pa. — Pastor L. H. Geschwind. Die Mission besteht aus der St. Johns-Gemeinde. Der Zuwachs und Fortschritt der Gemeinde erlaubte der Committee die Unterstützung von $300.00 auf $250.00 zu vermindern.

Scranton, Pa. — Pastor E. L. Miller. Die Mission besteht aus der Church of the Holy Trinity. Die Gemeinde hat eine schöne Summe an der Kirchenschuld abgetragen und hat viele neue Glieder aufgenommen. Die Unterstützung wurde von $400.00 auf $350.00 vermindert.

Scranton, Pa. — Pastor J. C. Gräpp. Die Mission besteht aus der Christus-Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung war $300.00.

Great Bend, Pa. — Pastor Joseph Stump. Die Mission besteht aus der St. Paulus-Gemeinde in Great Bend. Der Missionar arbeitete auch in Binghampton, N. Y. Die Unterstützung für Great Bend war $200.00, für Binghampton $50.00 für ein Jahr.

Stroudsburg, Pa. — Pastor J. J. Foust. Die Mission besteht aus der St. Johannis-Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung war $150.00.

Allentown, Pa. — Pastor J. S. Renninger. Die neue Mission besteht aus der St. Lukas-Gemeinde. Eine Kirche ist gebaut worden und die Hoffnung auf Wachsthum der Gemeinde ist sehr erfreulich. Die Unterstützung vom 1. Januar 1889 ist $400.00 für ein Jahr.

In der dritten Konferenz.

Tremont, Pa. — Pastor D. Sanner. Die Unterstützung war $100.00.

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Frackville, Pa. — Pastor W. C. L. Lauer. Die Unterstützung war vom 1. Oktober 1888 $150.00 für das Jahr.

Girardville, Pa. — Pastor J. O. Leibensperger. Die Mission bestand aus der Zions-Gemeinde. Seit dem 1. August 1888 ist die Gemeinde selbstständig. Die Unterstützung war $150.00 für ein Jahr.

In der vierten Konferenz.

Mt. Joy, Pa. — Pastor J. H. Umbenhen. Die Mission besteht aus der Trinitatis-Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung war $150.00.

Columbia, Pa. — Pastor A. M. Mehrkam. Die Mission besteht aus der St. Johns-Gemeinde. Die Unterstützung war $150.00.

In der fünften Konferenz.

Ober-Lykens Valley-Mission. — Pastor S. S. Henry, Pillow, Pa. Die Mission besteht aus den fünf Gemeinden: Klingers, Colemans, Artz, Higgins und Stutzmans. Die Unterstützung war $100.00.

Lykens, Pa. — Pastor M. B. Lenker. Die Mission besteht aus den drei Gemeinden in Lykens, Williamstown und Tower City. Die Unterstützung war $100.00.

Shamokin, Pa. Pastor H. Weickfel. Die Mission besteht aus der neuen Gemeinde, die in den Jahren 1887—1888 organisiert wurde. Die Unterstützung war $200.00.

Richfield, Juniata Co., Pa. — Pastor G. J. Schäffer. Die Mission besteht aus vier Gemeinden und etlichen Predigtplätzen. Die Unterstützung war $200.00.

Mission in Potter und Tioga Counties, Pa. — Da kein Missionar in diesem Felde arbeitete, wurde keine Bewilligung bezahlt.

In der deutschen Konferenz.

Keine Missionen wurden in dem verflossenen Jahre unterstützt.

Keine statistischen Berichte dieser Missionsstellen werden in diesem Berichte gegeben, da sie in den regelmäßigen Parochialberichten erscheinen. Im verflossenen Jahre wurden die Unterstützungen einer Anzahl der Missionen vermindert. Die Verwilligungen für neue Missionen haben die Summe, die nothwendig ist für Unterstützung der Missionen sehr erhöhet, und da die Committee von neuen Ansprüchen um Hülfe für noch andere neue Missionen, benachrichtigt worden ist, so wird die nothwendige Summe für das neue Synodal-Jahr viel höher sein, wie die in vergangenen Jahren.

Die deutsche und englische Philadelphia-Stadtmissionsbehörde.

Wie in vorigen Jahren werden diese Behörden ihre eigenen Berichte der Synode vorlegen. Vierteljährige Berichte wurden der Executiv-Committee zugesandt, welche die Summe der bestimmten Verwilligungen angaben. Unterstützungen wurden vierteljährlich verwilligt.

Die Summe, welche von der Executiv-Committee zur Unterstützung der 40 Missionen verwilligt und bezahlt wurde, beträgt $7625.72. Von dieser Summe wurden für die 28 Missionsstellen, welche unter directer Aufsicht der Executiv-Committee stehen, $4509.04 ausgegeben, für die 6 deutschen Stadtmissionsstellen $1633.34 ($150.00 von dieser Summe für den Kaplan des deutschen Hospitals), für die 6 englischen Stadtmissionsstellen $1483.34. Eine Total-Ausgabe für Stadtmission von $3116.68.

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Unterstützung der Pastoren-Wittwen.

Diese wurde nach Anweisung der Synode verwilligt.

Unterstützung von bejahrten Pastoren.

Es wurde einem alten Pastor nach Anweiß der Synode eine Unterstützung verwilligt. Auch wurde einem schwer leidenden Pastor eine Unterstützung verwilligt. Er starb vor Ablauf von drei Monaten nach der Verwilligung der Unterstützung.

Des Schatzmeisters-Bericht.

Des Schatzmeisters Rechnungen wurden von Zeit zu Zeit untersucht und richtig befunden.

Des Schatzmeisters-Salarium.

Bei der Versammlung im Oktober bestimmte die Executiv-Committee $400.00 als Salarium des Schatzmeisters für das laufende Synodal-Jahr.

Tod des Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D.

Bei der Versammlung der Committee am 3. Januar 1889 wurde folgender Beschluß gefaßt, in Bezug auf das Hinscheiden von Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D., Mitglied der Committee seit 1863, der englische Sekretär der Committee von 1863—1875 (in welchem Jahre er das Amt nicht wieder annahm, weil er als Sekretär der Heiden-Missions-Committee des General-Concils diente) und Vorsitzer der Committee am 2. Oktober 1888, bei der letzten Versammlung, der er beiwohnte:

Indem es unserm himmlischen Vater gefallen hat, seit der letzten Versammlung dieses Committees, Herrn Pastor Dr. B. M. Schmucker, das am längsten ununterbrochen in demselben dienende Glied und hervorragend brauchbar in allen Theilen der uns überwiesenen kirchlichen Arbeiten, durch einen schnellen Tod aus unserer Mitte zu versetzen: darum

Beschlossen, daß wir unser tiefempfundenes Gefühl des großen Verlustes, der uns in seinem Tode betroffen hat, ausdrücken und protokolliren, sowie unsere Anerkennung seiner hohen Begabung und unermüdlichen Arbeiten auf dem Gebiet kirchlicher Thätigkeiten, sowie unsere herzliche Theilnahme für seine Familie aussprechen in dem schweren Verlust, der sie betroffen hat und unsern Sekretär beauftragen, derselben eine Abschrift dieser Handlung zuzustellen.

Vorkehrungen für die jährlichen Ansprachen bei der Versammlung des Ministeriums.

Redner über Erziehungssache: In deutscher Sprache Pastor H. B. Strodach, in englischer Sprache Pastor S. A. Repaß, D. D.

Redner über Mission: In deutscher Sprache Pastor G. C. Gardner, in englischer Sprache Pastor A. L. Yount.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

F. J. F. Schantz, Sekretär.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Beschlossen, daß der vor etlichen Jahren gefaßte Beschluß, nach welchem die Rechnungen des Schatzmeisters vierteljährlich geprüft werden müssen, hiermit aufgehoben sei.

Sodann schritt die Synode zur Wahl der Glieder in die Executiv-Committee mit folgenden Stimmenzählern, Geistliche: Ehrw. Enoch Smith, C. J. Cooper, J. F. Wampole; Abgeordnete: Saml. Goodman, W. H. Staake.

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Pastor E. E. Sibole unterbreitete den

Bericht der Behörde für englische Stadtmission in Philadelphia.

Ihre Committee berichtet mit Freuden eine fortgesetzte Thätigkeit auf seinem Gebiete mit vielen Zeichen des Segens auf seiner Arbeit. Während dem letzten Jahre sind der Liste zwei neue regelmäßig organisirte Missionen hinzugefügt worden: Die St. Jakobi-Kirche an der 19. und Reed Str., Ehrw J. O. McAtee, Pastor, und die Church of the Nativity, Tioga, Ehrw. E. H. Gerhart, Pastor. Beide Missionen machen erfreulichen Fortschritt und zeigen einen Geist, der Gutes hoffen läßt für die Kirche in den respektiven Stadttheilen. — Auch wurde in Manayunk eine Mission organisirt, ist aber bis jetzt noch predigerlos und nicht im Verband der Synode. Auch ist bedeutender Fortschritt gemacht zur Organisation einer Gemeinde in Frankford. Die Committee beabsichtigt auch in andern Gegenden ans Werk zu gehen.

Große Hülfe wurde der Committee zu Theil von den Studenten des Seminars, die großen Eifer und Fähigkeit an den Tag legten.

Im letzten Oktober wurde die St. Pauls-Gemeinde, an der 22. Straße oberhalb Columbia Ave., durch ihren eigenen Akt, selbstständig. Auch ist es uns gelungen, die Geldbewilligung für die Advent- und St. Petri-Kirchen zu reduciren.

Statistik.

St. Petri-Kirche, Reed Str., nahe 9. Str., Ehrw. E. R. Cassaday, Pastor. Zunahme während dem Jahre: 24. Verluste, durch den Tod 5: an andere Gemeinden 2; durch Wegzug 10; durch Ausschluß 12 — Total 17. Communicanten 188 — 12 weniger als letztes Jahr. Durchschnittlicher Kirchenbesuch Sonntag Vormittags 150 — Zunahme 25. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $9000. Keine Schulden. Collecten für alle Zwecke $840.45. Kinder in der Sonntagschule 295 — Verlust 30.

Epiphanien-Kirche, Camden, N. J., Ehrw. C. K. Binder, Pastor. Zunahme 23. Verluste durch Tod 1. Communicanten 158 — Zunahme 22. Kirchenbesuch, Sonntag Morgens, 100. Werth des Kircheneigenthums $17,200 — eine Vermehrung von $200. Kirchenschuld $6,342.50 — eine Verminderung von $485.50. Collecten für alle Zwecke $2,652.79. Schüler in der Sonntagschule 200 — Zunahme 31.

Advents-Kirche, Fünfte und Cumberland Str., Ehrw. J. F. C. Fluck, Pastor. Zunahme 44. Verluste 25. Communicanten 315 — Zunahme 19. Sonntagschul-Kinder 233 — Zunahme 37. Werth des Eigenthums $11.500. Schuld $5,266. Collecten $1,900.92. Sonntagschul-Kinder 347 — Verlust 16.

Church of the Nativity, 19. und Tioga Str., Ehrw. E. H. Gerhart, Pastor. Zunahme 55. Verluste 2. Communicanten 55. Durchschnittlicher Kirchenbesuch Sonntag Vormittags 46. Kirchenschuld, keine. Collecten $914.79. Sonntagschul-Kinder 126.

N.B.—Diese Gemeinde versammelt sich in einer gemietheten Halle, ist aber im Begriff sich eine Kirche zu erwerben.

St. Jacobi-Kirche, 19. und Reed Str., Ehrw. J. O. McAtee, Pastor. Zunahme 34. Verluste 7. Communicanten 56. Werth des Kircheneigen-

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thums $4,000. Schuld $3,100. Collecten $1,139.36. Sonntagschul-Kinder 81.

N.B—Das Pastorat in dieser Gemeinde fing mit dem 1. November 1888 an. Hochachtungsvollst

E. E. Eibole, Sekretär.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor H. Grahn folgte mit dem

Bericht der Behörde für die deutsche Stadtmission in Philadelphia.

Ihre Committee unterbreitet hochachtungsvoll den folgenden Bericht über die ihr unterstellten Gemeinden.

1. St. Thomas in Germantown, Pastor F. Jelden; besteht aus 60 Gliedern, nebst einer Sonntagschule mit 16 Lehrern und 82 Kindern. Die Gemeinde wurde mit $300 unterstützt.

2. St. Peters, West Philadelphia, Pastor E. H. Pohle. 80 Glieder, 19 Lehrer und 125 Kinder in der Sonntagschule. Die Unterstützung betrug $400. Die Gemeinde hat noch $3000 Schulden.

3. Dreieinigkeits-Gemeinde, Rising Sun, Pastor J. A. Linsz. Zahl der Gemeindeglieder 170 — Zuwachs 10. In der Sonntagschule arbeiten 18 Lehrer an 180 Schülern. Die Gemeinde hebt sich. Sie hat ihre Kirche ausgebaut und verschönert mit einem Kostenaufwand von $700, welche Summe von ihr aufgebracht worden ist. Die Gemeinde-Schulden belaufen sich auf $2,000 und die Unterstützung seitens der Synode auf $350.

4. Christus-Mission, Pastor H. Weigand. Diese Mission besteht aus zwei Gemeinden: a) die Christus-Gemeinde mit 110 Gliedern, 22 Lehrern und 300 Kindern in der Sonntagschule. Die Gemeinde sah sich genöthigt, wegen Mangel an Raum, den Bau eines neuen Gotteshauses zu unternehmen und zwar in der 26. Straße. Am 16. September 1888 wurde der Grundstein gelegt und sodann der untere Theil der Kirche vorläufig für den gottesdienstlichen Gebrauch hergestellt und am 3. März 1889 feierlich eingeweiht. Die Vollendung des Gebäudes muß bis auf Weiteres verschoben werden, da die Gemeinde gegenwärtig nicht im Stande ist, die Baukosten zu erschwingen und mit Schulden sich nicht überladen will. Der Bau kostet bis jetzt $16,000, wovon ca. $14,000 als Schuld verbleiben. — Es hat sich ein regeres Leben entwickelt. Im Laufe des Jahres haben sich 45 neue Glieder der Gemeinde angeschlossen und sind die Aussichten für die Zukunft höchst ermunternd.

b) St. Marcus-Gemeinde mit 54 Gliedern, 10 Lehrern und 100 Kindern in der Sonntagschule. Auch hier hat eine Vermehrung der Glieder stattgefunden.

Die Stelle wurde mit $400 unterstützt.

5. Die Kreuz-Gemeinde, Ecke der 9. Straße und Lehigh Ave. Die Gemeinde wurde nach der Resignation des Pastor J. Heck längere Zeit provisorisch bedient, erwählte endlich Herrn Pastor W. Oeser von der Immanuels-Synode, welcher am 28. April sein Amt angetreten hat und beabsichtigt, um Aufnahme in die Synode nachzusuchen. — Der letzte Bericht aus der Gemeinde weist eine Wochenschule mit einem Lehrer und 61 Kindern und eine Sonntagschule mit 18 Lehrern und 190 Kindern nach.

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6. Deutsches Hospital. Durch den Abgang des Pastors Heck, der mit der Gemeinde auch die Stellung eines Hausgeistlichen im Hospital verband, wurde auch dies Amt erledigt. Da inzwischen der Verwaltungsrath des „Mary J. Drexel Heim und Diakonissen-Mutterhauses" den Herrn Pastor A. Cordes aus Sachsen zum Rektor berufen hatte und beide Anstalten in enger Verbindung stehen, so drückte der Vorstand des Deutschen Hospitals Ihrer Committee den Wunsch aus, Pastor Cordes auch als Hausgeistlichen dieser Anstalt anstellen zu wollen. Die Committee kam dem Verlangen nach und Herr Rektor Cordes übernahm bereitwilligst das betreffende Amt. Er berichtet, daß die Gottesdienste regelmäßig gehalten wurden, daß er die nöthige Seelsorge geübt, so wie das heil. Abendmahl fünf Mal gefeiert und auch eine betagte katholische Frau, nach vorhergegangenem Unterricht, in unsre Kirche aufgenommen habe.

Die Gehaltsbewilligung betrug $100 für's Jahr.

Möge der gnadenreiche Herr der Kirche die Arbeit in unserer Stadtmission fernerhin mit Seinem Segen begleiten.

H. Grahn, Präsident.

Auch dieser Bericht wurde angenommen.

Beschlossen, daß die beiden Behörden für Philadelphia Stadtmission wie im vorigen Jahr wieder konstituirt sein sollen.

Der englische Sekretär verlas den

Bericht der Sekretäre über unerledigte Geschäfte.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich achtungsvoll die Aufmerksamkeit der ehrw. Synode auf folgende Punkte zu lenken:

1. Die Committee für neue Ordinationsscheine wurde beauftragt, „Scheine in vorzüglichstem Styl verfertigen zu lassen und auch die nöthigen Platten anzukaufen." S. 38, deutsche Verhandl. S. 35 engl. Verh. Hat die Committee einen Bericht?

2. Die Beamten der Synode wurden beauftragt, den Wunsch der Synode betreffs der Verwilligung, welche die Zions- und St. Paulus-Gemeinden in Philadelphia dem Seminar gemacht, den genannten Gemeinden vorzulegen. S. 42 u. 74 D. V. S. 39 u. 70 Engl. V. Ist das geschehen?

3. Die Publikations-Committee wurde beauftragt, die revidirte Constitution u. s. w. separat in Deutsch und Englisch binden zu lassen u. s. w. S. 65 D. V. S. 61 E. V. Ist das geschehen?

4. Eine Bittschrift des Alumni-Vereins vom Mühlenberg-Kollegium um Vertretung in dem Verwaltungsrath der Anstalt wurde an die Verwaltungsbehörde als eine stehende Committee für solche Dinge verwiesen. S. 66 D. V. S. 62 E. V.

5. Die Synode verlangte von den Brüdern, die für die Herausgabe von „Kelle und Schwert" verantwortlich sind, das Unrecht, das sie gethan, einzugestehen und nach Kräften wieder gut zu machen. S. 67 D. V. S. 65 E. V. Ist dieses geschehen?

6. Bei jeder Jahresversammlung der Synode soll die Executiv-Committee oder eine für diesen Zweck besonders ernannte Committee beauftragt werden, über die Beiträge für wohlthätige Zwecke Bericht zu erstatten u. s. w. S. 69 D. V. S. 65 E. V.

7. Die Committee über die Synodal-Auflagen wurde instruirt, das ganze

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System und die den einzelnen Parochien zugetheilten Beträge einer eingehenden Prüfung zu unterziehen u. s. w.

Hat die Committee einen Bericht?

L. Lindenstruth,
J. M. Anspach.

Der Bericht wurde Punkt für Punkt berathen.

Punkte 1. Wird geschehen. (Siehe achte Sitzung).

Punkt 2. Ist geschehen und wird im Bericht der Directoren des Seminars zur Sprache kommen. (Siehe dritte Sitzung).

Punkt 3. Ist ausgeführt worden.

Punkt 4. Wird im Bericht des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenberg-Kollegiums berücksichtigt.

Punkt 5. Siehe den Beschluß hierüber am Anfang der siebenten Sitzung.

Betreffs Punkt 6. Beschlossen, daß hierzu eine besondere Committee ernannt werde, bestehend aus einem Glied aus jeder Konferenz. (S. 4. Sitz.)

Punkt 7. Kein Bericht.

Der Bericht wurde als Ganzes angenommen.

Der Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Krotel übernahm nun wieder den Vorsitz.

Der Ehrw. S. A. Ziegenfuß verlas den

Bericht des Verwaltungsraths des Mühlenberg-Kollegiums.

Ihre Verwalter hielten im Laufe des verflossenen Synodaljahres zwei regelmäßige Versammlungen ab. Die jährliche Versammlung fand statt am 27. Juni 1888 und die halbjährige am 22. Januar 1889. Das College befindet sich in einem blühenderen Zustande, als es je zuvor der Fall war. Die Zunahme der Studenten und Freunde war sehr ermuthigend, und unter fernerem Segen Gottes dürfen wir einer frohen Zukunft für das Mühlenberg College entgegen sehen.

Zu Anfang des Sommers von 1888 machte die "Allentown Steam Heating and Power Company" ein sehr annehmbares Anerbieten, Dampfhitze in das College-Gebäude einzuführen. Ihre Verwalter haben nach reiflicher Ueberlegung es für rathsam erachtet, sowohl der Sicherheit als auch der Bequemlichkeit der Bewohner wegen, diesen Vorschlag anzunehmen. Die Heizeinrichtungen entsprechen allen gerechten Anforderungen. — Auch war es für nothwendig befunden, die Wände und das Holzwerk der Außenseiten des Gebäudes anzustreichen und einen neuen Fußweg die Walnut Straße entlang zu legen. Die Gebäude und die Hofräume sind nie in einem besseren Zustand gewesen, und werden für längere Zeit keiner besonderen Nachhilfe bedürfen.

Da die Synode bei ihrer letzten Jahressitzung die Bitte der Alumni-Gesellschaft um Vertretung in dem Verwaltungsrath an die Verwalter des College verwiesen hat, so wurde darauf bezüglich Folgendes

Beschlossen: Daß die Synode bei ihrer nächsten Jahresversammlung ersucht werde, in der Wahl von Verwaltern des Mühlenberg-College den Wunsch zu berücksichtigen, die College-Alumnen, Laien sowohl als Prediger, nicht zu übersehen.

Beschlossen: Daß bei der Wahl für Verwalter des Mühlenberg-College die anwesenden Verwalter, deren Amtszeit zur Zeit nicht abgelaufen ist, als Committee ernannt werden, um die doppelte Anzahl von Personen zu nominieren, welche die zu füllenden Vakanzen zu ergänzen haben; daß diese Nominationen in keiner Weise das verhindern sollen, daß nicht auch andere Personen durch die Glieder des Ministeriums als Kandidaten aufgestellt werden können.

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Der Katalog für 1888—89 zählt 151 Studenten auf. Von diesen sind 79 im Collegial- und 72 im akademischen Departement. Die Seniorenklasse zählt 8 Glieder; 7 derselben beabsichtigen nächstes Spätjahr in unser theologisches Seminar einzutreten.

Interessante und belehrende Vorlesungen wurden vor den Studenten in der College-Kapelle vergangenes Frühjahr gehalten, und zwar von Ehrw. J. Fry, D.D., und Herrn Henry H. Herbst, M.D., aus der Klasse von '78.

Die Bibliothek und Mineraliensammlungen sind von zahlreichen Freunden der Anstalt reichlich bedacht worden. Diese werthvollen Geschenke sind in dem Katalog dankend anerkannt.

Weitere Mühlenberg Memorial-Dankopfer sind seit der letzten Synodalversammlung eingegangen, die hiermit benamt werden:

Herr T. H. Diehl	$20 00
St. Paulus, Ober Saucon, Ehrw. E. A. Yehl, Pastor	17 01
Beitrag der fünften Konferenz	10 00
Freemansburg, Ehrw. C. E. Sandt, Pastor	11 25
St. Paulus, Norristown	5 00
Frau M. Th. Jackson, Berwick, Pa., Ur-Ur-Enkelin des Patriarchen Zions, Philadelphia, Ehrw. E. Nidecker, Pastor, hielt letztes Spätjahr zum Andenken an den 25. Jahrestag des Todes ihres früheren Pastors, Ehrw. Dr. Demmé, einen Memorial-Gottesdienst, wobei eine besondere Kollekte für die deutsche Professur gehoben wurde zum Betrag von	25 00
	70 35
Gesammtbetrag der seit der letzten Synodal-Versammlung eingegangenen Gaben	$148 61

Diese weiteren Beiträge brachten den Fundirungsfund der deutschen Professur auf $11,122.31.

Der Beitrag der Synode von $600 für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors wurde erhalten und demgemäß verwendet. Die Verwilligung von $1000 für allgemeine Auslagen des College wurde erhalten und weise verausgabt. Der Verwaltungsrath bittet um wiederholte Verwilligung.

Durch das Bestreben, die Schulden der Anstalt zu tilgen, welches Unternehmen letztes Jahr begonnen wurde, sind zu diesem Zweck $20,070.19 gesammelt worden, welche Summe, mit Ausnahme von $2120 von guten Unterschriften, in die Kasse einbezahlt wurde. Das Anerbieten zweier Männer, den vor dem 1. März 1889 gemachten Beiträgen 20 Prozent beizufügen, brachte $2530 ein, welcher Betrag in der Gesamtsumme inbegriffen ist. Die Pastoren und Gemeinden haben auf Anempfehlung der Synode treulich mitgeholfen, den Vorstand der Anstalt so viel als möglich in dieser Sache zu unterstützen. Das Bestreben, die ganze Schuld zu tilgen, wird fortgesetzt werden, und es wird zuversichtlich erwartet, daß die Mithilfe der Gönner und Freunde ebenso ernstlich und anhaltend in der Zukunft sein wird, als sie seither gewesen ist. Eine Anzahl Pastoren bedeutender Pfarrstellen, die während des letzten Jahres anderweitig die Interessen der Kirche beförderten, haben die Zusage gegeben, ihre Kirchen dem Agenten des College baldigst zu erschließen. Die Wichtigkeit des Mühlenberg-College für die Synode, und die stets wachsenden Ansprüche, die an dasselbe durch die beständig zunehmende Aufgabe der Kirche nach allen Seiten hin gemacht werden, machen es nothwendig, daß diese Anstalt so bald als möglich von allen Hemmnissen befreit werde.

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Die Dienstzeit folgender Verwalter geht mit dieser Versammlung zu Ende: Ehrw. G. A. Hinterleitner, D.D., S. A. Ziegenfuß, C. J. Cooper, S. A. Repaß, D.D., J. F. Wampole, J. F. Ohl, und die Herren James K. Mosser, Achtb. C. H. Schäffer, Richter Edwin Albright und R. Baur. Zwei verehrte und hochgeschätzte Glieder des Verwaltungsrathes sind während des Jahres gestorben: die Ehrw. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., und J. N. S. Erb. Bei ihrer Beerdigung waren Glieder des Verwaltungsrathes und der Fakultät anwesend. Entsprechende Beschlüsse und Lebensskizzen wurden in die Verhandlungen eingetragen. Durch den Tod dieser Glieder entstanden zwei Vakanzen im Verwaltungsrath, die bei dieser Versammlung besetzt werden müssen. Die Dienstzeit von Dr. Schmucker läuft mit der nächsten Synodal-Versammlung zu Ende und die vom Ehrw. Erb in zwei Jahren. Achtungsvoll

S. A. Ziegenfuß, Schriftführer.

Der Bericht wurde Punkt für Punkt berathen und angenommen.

Die dem Kollegium gemachte Verwilligung von $1000 für laufende Ausgaben desselben und $600 für den Gehalt des deutschen Professors wurde für's kommende Jahr erneuert.

Pastor J. C. Cooper, Schatzmeister und Finanz-Agent des Mühlenberg-Kollegiums, legte folgenden Bericht vor, welcher angenommen wurde.

Beiträge zur Tilgung der Schuld des Mühlenberg College

1. Februar 1888 bis 1. Juni 1889.

Erste Konferenz.

Holy Trinity, New York, Pastor G. F. Krotel, D. D., LL. D.....	$3395 00	
Pastor G. F. Krotel, D. D., LL D., persönlicher Beitrag.....	100 00	
		$3495 00
St. Markus, Philadelphia, Pastor S. Laird, D. D.....		240 00
Augustus, Trappe, Pastor O. P. Smith.....		10 00
St. John's, Philadelphia, Pastor E. E Sibole.....		1355 00
Christus, Chestnut Hill, Pastor C. J. Hirzel.		5 16
Verklärungs-Kirche, Pottstown, Pastor B. M. Schmucker, D. D..		391 75
Emanuel, Pottstown, Pastor D. K. Kepner.....		3253 78
St. Michael's, Germantown, Pastor J. P Deck.....	166 70	
Pastor C. W. Schäffer, D. D , LL. D., persönlicher Beitrag.....	100 00	
		266 70
St. Peter's, Philadelphia, Pastor E. R. Cassaday.....		5 00
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Towamensing, Pastor J. L. Becker	28 55	
Pastor J. L. Becker, persönlicher Beitrag.....	150 00	
		178 55
St. Johannis, Newark, N. J., Pastor W. Rieb.....		25 00
Indianfield, Pastor F. Walz.....	3 50	
Goshenhoppen, Pastor F. Walz.....	9 00	
		12 50
Pastor Wm. Ashmead Schäffer, persönlicher Beitrag.....		50 00
,, A. M. Weber, ,, ,, ...		5 00
,, B. Sadtler, D. D., ,, ,, ...		20 00
,, S. B. Stupp, ,, ,, ...		10 00
,, J. F. Klein, ,, ,, ...		5 00
Gesammt-Summe von der ersten Konferenz.....		$9403 44

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Trinitatis, Lehighton, Pastor J. H. Kuder		$217 79
St. Luke's, Easton, Pastor A W. Walter		5 00
Christus, Conyngham, Pastor J. J. Kuntz		5 00
Egypt, Pastor J D. Schindel	25 00	
St. John's, Coplay, Pastor, J. D. Schindel	5 45	
Whitehall, „ „ „	22 55	
		53 00
St. Paul's, Seiberlings, Pastor H. S. Fegley	5 53	
Ebenezer, New Tripoli, „ „ „	11 50	
New Jerusalem, „ „ „	18 50	
Jacobs, Jacksonville, „ „ „	33 05	
St. Peter's, Lynnville „ „ „	9 25	
		77 83
Lower Saucon, Pastor W. J Bieber	20 00	
Pastor W. J. Bieber, persönlicher Beitrag	20 00	
		40 00
Freemansburg, Pastor C. E. Sandt		122 75
Stein-Kirche, Pastor J. W. Lazarus		50 00
Smithfield-Parochie, Pastor T. Heilig	31 80	
Gouldsboro-Mission, „ „ „	10 35	
		42 15
Forks, Pastor D. Kuntz		31 25
St. John's, Allentown, Pastor S. A. Repaß, D. D	3275 00	
Pastor J. A. Scheffer, persönlicher Beitrag	25 00	
		3300 00
Grace, Bethlehem, Pastor C. H. Hemsath		1083 75
Rittersville, Pastor A R. Horne, D. D.	24 20	
Friedensville, „ „ „	19 60	
		43 80
Christ, Easton, Pastor J. M. Anspach		26 25
St. John's, Bath, Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß	93 85	
St. John's, Howertown, Pastor S. A. Ziegenfuß	106 25	
		200 10
Salem, Bethlehem, Pastor E. Smith	77 82	
Pastor E. Smith, persönlicher Beitrag	13 00	
		90 82
Slatington-Parochie, Pastor J. S. Erb		40 00
St. Peter's, Süd Bethlehem, Pastor W. F. Schöner		7 19
Jordan-Parochie, Pastor F. R. Bernd		35 00
St. John's, Easton, Pastor D. H. Geissinger		85 25
Zion's, West Penn, Pastor W. H. Strauß	8 29	
Ben Salem, East Penn, „ „ „	11 86	
		20 15
St. Johannis, Mauch Chunk und East Mauch Chunk, Pastor L. Lindenstruth		62 15
St. Paul's, Summit Hill, Pastor A. C. Wuchter		25 50
Trinity, Bangor, Pastor B. F. Apple		41 00
St. Paul's, White Haven, Pastor H. H. Bruning		47 45
„ „ Süd Easton, Pastor J. O. Upp,		28 50
Zion's, Weatherly, Pastor G. G. Kunkle		33 20
„ Easton, Pastor P. Pfatteicher		43 63
St. Mark's, Süd Bethlehem		1 00
St. Paul's Catasauqua, Pastor J. W Mayne		50 85
Grace, Phillipsburg, N. J		50
Union, Belfast, Pastor A. E. Erdmann		5 00
St. John's, Stroudsburg, Pastor J. J. Foust		19 00

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Big Creek, Pastor G. W. Sandt	8 00	
East Penn, „ „ „	6 55	
St. Jacobs, Weißport, Pastor G. W. Sandt	10 00	
St. Matthews, N. Weißport, Pastor G. W. Sandt	9 65	
		34 20
Pastor W. J. Andres, persönlicher Beitrag		25 00
Gesammt-Summe von der zweiten Konferenz		$5994 06

Dritte Konferenz.

Fleetwood, Pastor B. E. Kramlich		35 50
St. James, Reading, Pastor M. C. Horine		40 75
St. John's, Boyertown, Pastor L. Groh	158 00	
Pastor L. Groh, persönlicher Beitrag	15 00	
		173 00
Trinitatis, Pottsville, Pastor G. A. Hinterleitner, D. D.		196 35
Tamaqua-Parochie, Pastor J. O. Schlenker		20 00
St. John's, Tremont, Pastor D. Sanner		50 00
Amity-Parochie, Pastor U. P. Heilman		5 00
Kutztown-Parochie, Pastor W. A. C. Müller		17 50
St. Johannis, Shenandoah, Pastor J. Gruhler		10 00
Hamburg, Pastor O. D. Miller	44 63	
New Bethel, „ „ „	5 01	
		49 64
Stouchsburg-Parochie, Pastor A. J. Long		25 63
St. Johannis, Reading, Pastor J. J. Kündig		5 00
Grimsville-Parochie, Pastor B. E. Smoll		5 00
Gesammt-Summe von der dritten Konferenz		$633 37

Vierte Konferenz.

Christus, Lancaster, Pastor E. L. Reed		$5 00
Zion's, Marietta, Pastor Geo. Ph. Müller		3 00
Holy Trinity, Lancaster, Pastor C. L. Fry		120 00
Walmers, Lebanon Co., Pastor S. B. Stupp	22 10	
Zion's, „ „ „ „	102 35	
		124 45
Zion's, Jonestown, Pastor A. B. Markley		55 25
St. John's, Shiremanstown, Pastor H. N. Fegley		10 00
Salem, Lebanon, Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk	438 00	
Pastoren B. W. und T. E. Schmauk, persönliche Beiträge	50 00	
		488 00
Trinity, New Holland, Pastor J. W. Haßler		26 60
Christus, Elizabethtown, Pastor G. G. Seaman		36 50
Gesammt-Summe von der vierten Konferenz		$868 80

Fünfte Konferenz.

Beavertown-Parochie, Pastor O. E. Pflüger		7 25
Selinsgrove, Pastor S. E. Ochsenford	29 95	
Zions, Kratzerville, Pastor S. E. Ochsenford	40 30	
		70 25
Trinity, Danville, Pastor C. K. Drumheller		50
St. John's, Catawissa, Pastor J. H. Neiman	31 30	
St. Paul's, Numidia, „ „ „	9 35	
		40 65

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Emanuel, Rater, Pastor D. M. Stetler	21 80	
St. Paul's, Urban, „ „ „	7 25	
St. John's, Mahanoy, Pastor D. M. Stetler	6 75	
Himmels, Rebuck „ „ „	5 45	
Davids Hebe, „ „ „	6 32	
Zions, Herndon, „ „ „	3 50	
		51 07
Shamokin Mission, Pastor Wm. Weickfel		2 50
Turbotville-Parochie, Pastor A. Pflüger		37 15
Pine Creek, Pastor S S. Henry		3 00
St. Peter's, Montour Co., Pastor D. L Fogelman		3 11
Stone Valley-Parochie, Pastor W. H. Geiger		15 00
St. Mark's, Williamsport, Pastor A. L. Yount		83 75
Gesammt-Summe von der fünften Konferenz		$314 23

Persönliche Beiträge von Personen, welche nicht zum Ministerium gehören.

F. Havermeyer, New York	$ 50 00	
J. L Bremer, Boston	500 00	
Albert Lewis, Penn'a	50 00	
Pastor J. Nicum, New York	25 00	
Pastor W. A. Passavant jr., Pittsburg	50 00	
Verschiedene Summen	61 29	
		736 29
Unterschrieben		2120 00

Recapitulation.

Von der ersten Konferenz	$9,403 44
„ „ zweiten „	5,994 06
„ „ dritten „	633 37
„ „ vierten „	868 80
„ „ fünften „	314 23
Gesammt-Summe von den Konferenzen	$17,213 90
Von Personen nicht in der Synode	736 29
Baar empfangen	$17,950 19
Unterschrieben	2,120 00
Gesammt-Summe für die Schuld gesichert	$20,070 19

C. J. Cooper,
Schatzmeister des Mühlenberg College.

Allentown, Pa., den 1. Juni 1889.

Pastor A. Cordes, Rektor des „Mary J. Drexel Home und Diakonissen-Mutterhauses" in Philadelphia, Pa., erhielt Erlaubniß, den Bericht über diese Anstalt vorzulegen.

Bericht über die ev.-luth. Diakonissen-Anstalt in Philadelphia.

Das verflossene Jahr ist für die evang.-luth. Diakonissenanstalt in Philadelphia besonders reich an Segen gewesen. Sie hat in ihrer Entwicklung Fortschritte machen dürfen, wie noch in keinem Jahr zuvor.

Vor allem hat sie ein eignes Heim gefunden, ein Heim so groß und schön, daß sie darin sich tüchtig recken und strecken kann und so weich und behaglich gebettet ist, wie keine Diakonissenanstalt jenseits des Oceans. Am 6. De-

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cember vorigen Jahres wurde das Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses durch einen feierlichen Gottesdienst in der Hauskapelle eingeweiht.

Ferner ward der Anstalt durch Gottes Gnade eine neue Oberin geschenkt. Schwester Wanda von Oertzen, eine in Deutschland ausgebildete Diakonisse von reicher Erfahrung, besonders auf dem Gebiete der Krankenpflege, landete am 26. Mai 1888 und ward am 18. Juni förmlich in ihr Amt eingeführt.

Auch ein Rektor wurde berufen in der Person des Berichterstatters. Derselbe hatte als Hilfsprediger des verstorbenen Pastors Nindt in Hamburg schon vor mehreren Jahren die Diakonissensache in praktischer Erfahrung kennen gelernt. Er traf am 7. August vorigen Jahres in Philadelphia ein und ward gelegentlich der obenerwähnten Einweihungsfeier am 6. December offiziell als Rektor und Pastor der Anstalt installiert.

Rektor und Oberin sind, ersterer als Hausvater, letztere als Hausmutter, die unmittelbaren Leiter der Anstalt. Als solche sind sie dem Vorstand oder Verwaltungsrath verantwortlich, dem die Oberaufsicht über die Anstalt, die Fürsorge für ihr Gedeihen und die Vertretung derselben nach außen obliegt. Sie haben aber in den Versammlungen des Vorstands Sitz und Stimme mit Ausnahme der Wahlen innerhalb dieses Körpers.

Folgende Herren sind die Glieder des Vorstands: John D. Lankenau, Präsident, Konsul Chas. H. Meyer, Vice-Präsident, Pastor Hugo Grahn, Schriftführer, Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann, Prof. Dr. A. Späth, Pastor Fr. Wischan, John C. File, G. A. Schwarz und J. Henry Tilge. — Als Schatzmeister fungirt hier Chas. A. Wörwag, als Anwalt Herr James Parsons.

Als besonders wichtiges Resultat der Arbeiten des Vorstands innerhalb des letzten Jahres ist zu erwähnen, daß die Ausarbeitung der Nebengesetze der Anstalt eifrig gefördert worden ist. Insbesondere sind diejenigen Abschnitte, welche die Stellung und Aufgabe des Vorstands, des Rektors und der Oberin im einzelnen festsetzen, durchberathen und angenommen. Auch ein Normalcontract, der den mit den Gemeinden bei Ueberlassung von Gemeindeschwestern abzuschließenden Verträgen zu Grunde zu legen ist, wurde entworfen und genehmigt.

Mit ganz besonderer Rührigkeit und Treue arbeitet Herr Lankenau, der Gründer und Präsident der Anstalt, an dem weiteren Ausbau derselben. Er sorgt beständig, daß es den Anstaltsbewohnern an nichts Wesentlichem gebreche, insonderheit die Sorge um's tägliche Brot nicht aufkomme. Er nimmt regen Antheil an den Freuden und Leiden des Anstaltslebens. Fast täglich ist er auf dem Platze, um mit Rath und That helfend einzugreifen, wo es nöthig ist. Ich erachte es für meine Pflicht, auch an dieser Stelle davon Zeugniß abzulegen; denn daß unsere Kirche hierzulande ohne Opfer ihrerseits eine solid fundirte, gesunde, lebensvolle Diakonissenanstalt hat, daß sie auch in Zukunft, soweit Menschen sehen können, wenigstens der pekuniären Sorgen für den Fortbestand derselben im wesentlichen überhoben ist, daß sie so in der Diakonissensache vor allen andern Denominationen einen weiten Vorsprung hat, verdankt sie nächst Gott der Opferwilligkeit und fortdauernden Fürsorge jenes edlen Mannes.

Was nun die Verhältnisse der Schwesternschaft anbetrifft, so ist zunächst zu bemerken, daß im Laufe des Berichtsjahres 20 Personen eintraten, um als Schwestern unserer Anstalt zu dienen. Zwei von ihnen kamen als bereits eingesegnete Diakonissen, nämlich die Oberin und eine in Flensburg ausgebil-

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dete Schwester; und vier nur zu vorübergehendem Aufenthalt, um nach ihrer Ausbildung den Grundstock der Diakonissenschaft in dem im Entstehen begriffenen schwedisch-lutherischen Diakonissenhaus zu Omaha, Nebr., zu bilden. Austritt, beziehentlich Entlassung erfolgte bei zehn Schwestern. Zu Diakonissen eingesegnet wurden drei Probeschwestern; und zwar war diese am 13. Januar d. J. geschehene Einsegnung die erste, die unser Mutterhaus als solches feiern durfte.

Gegenwärtig besteht unsere Schwesternschaft aus elf Diakonissen, neun Hilfsschwestern (so nennen wir schon länger in der Arbeit stehende Probeschwestern), zehn Probeschwestern, und zwei Mädchen, die noch in der Vorprobe stehen; in Summa 32 Schwestern.

Im Laufe der nächsten beiden Monate erwarten wir zwei Schwestern, die nach kurzer Probezeit das Amt von Probemeisterinnen, denen die Hauptaufgabe bei der Erziehung der Probeschwestern zufällt, überkommen sollen. Eine derselben bildet sich in der Diakonissenanstalt zu Neuendettelsau, Bayern, für ihr wichtiges Amt vor.

Um konfirmierten jungen Mädchen von 14 bis 18 Jahren, die also das erforderliche Alter zum Eintritt als Probeschwestern noch nicht besitzen, Gelegenheit zu geben, den Diakonissenberuf näher kennen zu lernen und sich für denselben vorzubilden, ohne sich nach ihrer Konfirmation erst noch für einige Jahre nach einer anderen Berufsarbeit umsehen zu müssen, war der Plan gefaßt worden, eine Diakonissenvorschule in unserm Mutterhaus in's Leben zu rufen, doch der zu diesem Zweck erlassene Aufruf ist bislang ohne Erfolg geblieben.

Die Ausbildung der Schwestern für ihren schönen aber schweren Beruf ist eine doppelte, eine theoretische und eine praktische. Nach beiden Richtungen hin sind bemerkenswerthe Fortschritte zu verzeichnen. Die theoretische Ausbildung konnte während des vergangenen Winters zum ersten Male in vollem Umfang in Angriff genommen werden. Sie besteht nicht nur in der Unterweisung in solchen Gegenständen, die sich unmittelbar auf den Beruf beziehen, sondern umfaßt auch im Wesentlichen das, was zur allgemeinen Bildung gehört. Die praktische Ausbildung beschränkt sich zwar immer noch auf die Krankenpflege, aber diese hat eine Ausdehnung insofern gewonnen, als die Schwestern außer dem Deutschen Hospitale nun auch im Mutterhause selbst eine Schule für Krankenpflege haben, da das projektirte Kinderhospital seit einigen Wochen eröffnet werden konnte.

An auswärtigen Stationen hat unsere Anstalt nach wie vor nur die eine, die Gemeindepflege in der lutherischen St. Paulus-Gemeinde in Philadelphia, woselbst eine unserer Schwestern in der Fürsorge für die Armen und Kranken thätig ist. Die Zahl unserer Schwestern ist eben noch zu klein und die ganze Diakonissensache noch zu unbekannt, als daß man jetzt schon eine Vermehrung der auswärtigen Stationen erwarten dürfte.

Einmal, und zwar im Januar d. J., wurde ein Versuch in der Privatpflege gemacht, der von schönstem Erfolg begleitet war. Auf die dringende Bitte von Pastor H. D. Kräling wurde eine Schwester nach Poughkeepsie, N. Y., gesandt, um eine am Typhus erkrankte Familie zu pflegen, für welche man nirgends eine Wärterin hatte finden können, die den gefährlichen und verantwortungsvollen Dienst übernommen hätte. Die ganze Familie genas und der Schwester folgten die Zeugnisse der innigsten Dankbarkeit, nicht bloß von seiten der Betreffenden, sondern der ganzen Gemeinde.

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Mit den Diakoniſſen-Mutterhäuſern in der alten Welt, ſpeciell in der deutſchen Heimath, ſteht das unſere in herzlichem Einvernehmen. Die alle 3 Jahre tagende General-Konferenz der Diakoniſſen-Mutterhäuſer, welche im September 1888 in Kaiſerswerth verſammelt war, hat ſich bereit erklärt, unſere Anſtalt zunächſt gaſtweiſe zur nächſten General-Konferenz einzuladen.

So haben wir denn gewiß alle Urſache beim Rückblick auf das verfloſſene Jahr voll dankbarer Freude zu bekennen: „Der Herr hat Großes an uns gethan.“ Aber nun gilt's, daß die Kirche ſich voll zu der von Gott geſegneten Diakoniſſenſache bekenne, mit Worten nicht nur, ſondern mit Thaten. Vor allem ſeien die Brüder im Amte herzlichſt gebeten, ſich ſelbſt und ihre Gemeinden mit der weiblichen Diakonie ſo vertraut als möglich zu machen und mit Eifer und Treue Arbeiterinnen zu werben für dieſen Theil des Weinbergs unſers Herrn. Gaben an Geld ſind ſehr willkommen. Fürbitten ſind zum Gedeihen der Diakoniſſenſache hochnöthig, aber das brennendſte Bedürfniß ſind Perſonen, die ſich ſelbſt geben. Wohlauf ans Werben!

A. Cordes.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Der Präſident ernannte die folgenden Committeen:

1. Ueber den Präſidentenbericht: Die Paſtoren: Dr. J. A. Seiß, Dr. G. F. Spieker, Z. H. Gable, H. N. Fegley, J. H. Neiman, Enoch Smith, P. F. A. Glaſow; die Laien: Thom. B. Illig, Geo. Goſſert, G. C. Böhm, Dr. P. B. Breinig, Hiram Burdan.

2. Ueber des Präſidenten Rechnung: Die Paſtoren H. B. Strodach und F. F. Bürmeyer.

3. Ueber Disziplin: Die Paſtoren E. A. Bauer, H. Grahn, R. Gerlach.

4. Ueber Aufnahme von Gemeinden: Die Paſtoren Dr. C. W. Schäffer, J. S. Erb, J. Gruhler, Geo. Ph. Müller; die Laien: Heinr. Hemſath, J. G. Schumacher, Peter Woll.

5. Ueber Parochial-Berichte: Die Paſtoren: J. Neff, L. H. Geſchwind, O. D. Miller, A. B. Markley, J. K. Drumheller, H. C. A. Hellwege; die Laien: A. F. Long, W. F. Carey, Wm. Siebler.

6. Ueber den Bericht des Schatzmeiſters: Die Paſtoren: J. D. Schindel, B. E. Kramlich, F. W. Weiskotten, E. L. Reed, A. L. Yount; die Laien: W. G. Heller, Prof. S. P. Sadtler, R. Bär, Wm. Hauff.

7. Ueber Entſchuldigungen: Die Paſtoren: J. L. Becker, J. H. Kuder, W. A. C. Müller, A. M. Mehrkam, D. M. Stetler, J. Niemann; die Laien: J. H. Hauſer, Peter Steiner, J. R. Hunſicker.

8. Ueber ein Schreiben von der Zions-Gemeinde in Philadelphia: Die Paſtoren: Dr. A. Späth, L. Groh, D. Sanner.

Sodann vertagte ſich die Verſammlung, um eine Miniſterial-Sitzung zu halten. Gebet von Paſtor M. C. Horine.

Dritte Sitzung.

Freitag, den 14. Juni, Nachm. 2 Uhr.

Die Sitzung wurde eröffnet mit Geſang aus dem Liede „Komm, o komm du Geiſt des Lebens“ und einem Gebet, geſprochen von Paſtor A. Richter.

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Der Ehrw. Präsident berichtete über die ordinirten Prediger, die der Synode zur Aufnahme von der Ministerial-Sitzung empfohlen worden waren. Ihre Aufnahme wurde beschlossen (siehe deren Namen in den Ministerial-Verhandlungen).

Die Betreffenden wurden nun in die Synode eingeführt. Der Ehrw. Präsident theilte ihnen ihre Aufnahme in den Körper durch dessen Beschluß mit, reichte ihnen die rechte Hand brüderlicher Gemeinschaft und ersuchte sie, der Ordnung gemäß, die Constitution zu unterschreiben.

Hierauf wurden die Namen der 18 Kandidaten, welche die Ministerial-Sitzung zur Ordination empfohlen hatte, verlesen und über jeden einzelnen abgestimmt (siehe Ministerial-Verhandlungen). Die Zeit der Ordination wurde auf Montag Abend, den 17. Juni, festgesetzt.

Die jungen Brüder wurden nun dem Präsidenten vorgestellt, von demselben betreffs ihrer bevorstehenden Ordination am Montag Abend unterrichtet, zu rechtem Ernste und brünstigem Gebet für den Antritt eines so hohen und verantwortungsvollen Amtes ermahnt und ersucht, nach der Ordination, die Constitution zu unterzeichnen.

Die Wahl-Committee berichtete, daß die Folgenden in die Executive-Committee gewählt seien: Die Pastoren T. L. Seip, D. D., F. J. F. Schantz, J. Fry, D. D., C. W. Schäffer, D. D., C. M. Horine und die Laien A. W. Potteiger, C. R. Lantz, Esq., T. H. Diehl, L. H. Ließ, W. A. Henry.

Nachdem der Ehrw. Enoch Smith die Namen derjenigen verlesen hatte, welche als Trustees des Mühlenberg-Kollegiums nominirt worden waren, schritt die Synode zur Wahl derselben, mit folgenden Stimmzählern: Pastoren L. H. Geschwind, C. J. Hirzel, W. H. Myers, C. E. Haupt, P. F. A. Glasow; Laien: Heinr. Hemsath, Jak. E. Klein, Michael Urban.

Auf eine ihnen vorgeschriebene Weise sollen dann die erwählten Trustees unter sich bestimmen, wer von ihnen an Stelle der verstorbenen 2 Trustees dienen soll.

Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., verlas sodann den

Bericht der Finanz-Committee.

Lebanon, den 14. Juni 1889.

An den Präsidenten und die Glieder des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und angrenzenden Staaten.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich achtungsvollst zu berichten, daß es sich im verflossenen Jahre mit dem Schatzmeister berathen und folgende Kapitalanlagen gebilligt hat, welche der Schatzmeister für das Ministerium gemacht hat.

1. Eine weitere Kapitalanlage von $1000.00 in einer Verschreibung und Hypothek auf Nr. 1738 Bouvier und Institute Str., Philadelphia, so daß die Anlage nun statt der früheren $500.00 einen Betrag hat von $1500.00.

2. Verschreibung und Hypothek von J. McIlhenry, 114 Claymont Str., Philadelphia. (Dieses Grundstück war auf dem Wege der Zwangsversteigerung vom Ministerium erstanden und der Besitztitel vom Sheriff erworben worden, worauf dann der Verkauf an Herrn McIlhenry erfolgte.)

3. Auf einen Wechsel des Ministeriums geliehen, womit auf Beschluß der

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letztjährigen Synodal-Versammlung dem Bauunternehmer E. Thompson $5000.00 bezahlt wurden. Die bisher genannten Anlagen geschahen sämmtlich aus dem Seminar-Fundirungsfond.

4. Verschreibung und Hypothek auf das Grundstück an der Ecke von Hanover und Thompson Str., Philadelphia, für den Erziehungsfond $500.00.

Ihr Committee hat ferner auch mit dem Schatzmeister Verabredung getroffen, um das Interesse des Ministeriums in Sachen des Vermächtnisses von Eliza Yost, Eliza D. Miller und anderer wahrzunehmen, und hat in allem die Handlungsweise des Schatzmeisters gut geheißen.

Die Committee kann nicht umhin, ihm Anerkennung der geschickten Verwaltung und der geschäftlichen Tüchtigkeit des Schatzmeisters auszusprechen. Derselbe ist nach dem Urtheil der Committee auf das treueste und gewissenhafteste und sorgfältigste bestrebt, die mannigfaltigen und wichtigen finanziellen Interessen dieses ehrw. Körpers zu wahren.

Achtungsvollst unterbreitet

W. W. Kuntz
R. B. Miller.
Wm. H. Staake. } Finanz-Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt.

Der Ehrw. J. A. Seiß, D.D., verlas sodann den

Bericht der Direktoren des Theologischen Seminars.

Die jährliche Versammlung des Verwaltungsrathes wurde gehalten am 10. Juni 1889 und währte zwei Tage. Beamte: Dr. J. A. Seiß, Präsident; Pastor H. Grahn, Vice-Präsident; Pastor Ph. Pfatteicher, deutscher, und Dr. J. Fry, englischer Sekretär. Gemäß der Berichte der Fakultät war das Seminar im verflossenen Jahre in gutem Zustande und gut besucht. Die ganze Seniorenklasse, bestehend aus 25 Gliedern, wurde zur Graduation zugelassen und mit den betreffenden Diplomen versehen.

Es wurde berichtet, daß das neue Seminar zu Mount Airy contractmäßig fertiggestellt sei bis auf die Heizeinrichtung und das Möbel.

Die Veränderungen an dem alten Gebäude, um es für die Hörsäle, Bibliothek und so weiter einzurichten, waren dem Berichte gemäß, nur theilweise vollendet, da man, ehe man weiter geht, zuerst noch gewisse Entscheidungen der Direktoren und der Synode abwarten möchte. Aber das ganze Werk ist so weit vorangeschritten, daß es möglich sein wird, das Gebäude mit dem nächsten Semester beziehen zu können.

1. Es wurde beschlossen, das fünfundzwanzigjährige Bestehen des Seminars durch die Einweihung des neuen Gebäudes am 4. Oktober 1889 festlich zu begehen. Eine Committee, bestehend aus dem Präsidenten des Verwaltungsrathes, der Baucommittee und der Fakultät, wurde ernannt, ein Programm bezüglich der Festfeier auszuarbeiten und auszuführen.

2. Der frühere Beschluß bezüglich der Heizung des Seminars wurde in Wiedererwägung gezogen, und in Folge war die Baucommittee angewiesen, die Heizung mit Dampf einrichten zu lassen und den früheren Beschluß zu annulliren.

3. Die Einzelheiten dieser Angelegenheit — die Einrichtung der Lesezimmer und übrigen Räume — wurden der Baucommittee überwiesen, die bei der

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Ausführung den verschiedenen Wünschen und Rathschlägen der Fakultät Rechnung tragen solle.

Ein klassifizirter Bericht des Schatzmeisters mit Angabe von Einnahme und Ausgabe wurde vorgelegt, geprüft und diesem Bericht beigefügt. Aus jenem Rechnungsbericht geht hervor, daß ungefähr $8000 contractmäßig noch zu bezahlen sind, und daß es nöthig ist, daß die Synode, die in noch so großer Zahl ausstehenden, den einzelnen Gemeinden zugetheilten Beiträge einfordere, um diese Schuld zu tilgen und um andere nothwendige Einrichtungen zu machen, die nöthig sind, das Gebäude in solchen Stand zu setzen, daß es uns als Seminar diene. Ungefähr $20,000 sind noch nothwendig, um jene Schuld und diese Auslagen zu decken. Aber wenn alle den Gemeinden auferlegten Beiträge einkommen, oder auch nur annäherungsweise einbezahlt werden, so werden wir im Stande sein, allen Anforderungen zu genügen und die Anstalt nach diesem neuen Platze zu verlegen. Ungefähr $30,000 der den Gemeinden zugetheilten Auflagen stehen noch aus.

4. Um Anordnungen zur Uebersiedlung zu treffen und auszuführen und die Uebersiedlung zu beaufsichtigen und um die nothwendige Aufsicht über das Gebäude nach der Uebersiedlung zu sichern, hat der Verwaltungsrath beschlossen, die Synode zu bitten, den gegenwärtigen General-Agenten des Seminars auch zum General-Aufseher über das neue Seminar zu ernennen, damit er nach den ausstehenden Auflagen sehe und so weit es möglich ist, sich nach anderen Einnahmen für die Anstalt erkundige. Auch soll er unter Anordnung des Verwaltungsrathes persönlich verpflichtet sein, die Dienstboten und Arbeiter an Gebäude und Grund zu ernennen und zu beaufsichtigen mit der Macht, dieselben anzustellen und zu entlassen; er soll die Aufsicht über alle Gebäude — inwendig und auswendig — haben, über die Fußwege, Bäume, Zäune, Möbel und anderes Eigenthum des Seminars, soll überhaupt Alles in guter Ordnung halten. Er soll als der authorisierte Agent der Anstalt den Einkauf der Vorräthe für den täglichen Gebrauch, z. B. Brennmaterial, Geräthschaften, nothwendige Reparaturen besorgen; er soll Macht haben, Geldanweisungen auf die Seminarkasse zu ziehen, welche Anweisungen, vom Präsidenten des Verwaltungsrathes unterzeichnet, dann ausbezahlt werden sollen.

5. Ferner, daß, falls solche Ernennung vom General-Agenten angenommen wird, eine genügende Anzahl Zimmer im neuen Seminargebäude hergerichtet und demselben zur Verfügung gestellt werde, daß er mit seiner Familie da wohne und zwar rentfrei. Auch soll ihm unentgeltlich Brennmaterial, Heizung, Licht und Wasser gewährt werden; überdies soll ihm ein jährlicher Gehalt von nicht über $1000 ausgesetzt sein.

6. Der Verwaltungsrath war bis jetzt noch nicht im Stande gewesen, Wohnungen für die Professoren zu besorgen, da er noch kein Geld zu diesem Zweck hatte, daher hat er beschlossen, die Synode zu bitten, sogleich Anstalten zu treffen, daß ein Professor in der Anstalt wohnen kann. Das Grundstück in West-Philadelphia konnte noch nicht verkauft werden.

7. Die Synode hat auch zu entscheiden, was mit dem bisherigen Seminargebäude an der Franklin Straße geschehen solle.

Der Verwaltungsrath empfindet schmerzlich den Verlust von Dr. B. M. Schmucker, der im letzten Jahre abgerufen wurde. Er war eines der brauchbarsten Glieder dieses Körpers für ein Viertel Jahrhundert, und diese ganze Zeit hindurch dessen fähiger englischer Sekretär. Durch seinen plötzlichen Tod

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verlor das Seminar, die Synode und die Kirche im Ganzen einen weisen und hingebenden Freund und Mitarbeiter.

Es ist die Pflicht der Synode, bei ihrer diesjährigen Sitzung zu erwählen fünf Geistliche und fünf Laien, um für drei Jahre als Glieder des Verwaltungsraths an Stelle der abgehenden zu dienen; ebenso einen Geistlichen an Stelle des verstorbenen Dr. Schmucker.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet,

J. A. Seiß, Präsident des Verwaltungsrathes.

Dieser Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und Punkt für Punkt berathen. No. 1, 2, 3 und 4 angenommen.

No. 5 wurde dem Gutdünken der Seminar-Behörde überlassen.

No. 6. Angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß die Direktoren des Seminars hiermit beauftragt und ermächtigt seien, auf unserm Grundstück in Mt. Airy entweder ein passendes Wohnhaus für unseren Professor zu bauen, oder ein für diesen Zweck geeignetes Grundstück und Wohnhaus anzukaufen. Im Fall die Behörde beschließen sollte zu bauen oder anzukaufen, und es nöthig werden sollte, Geld zu leihen, sollen die Beamten des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvania u. a. St. angewiesen sein, Bonds und Hypotheken auszustellen, damit die nöthigen Summen gesichert werden.

Ad No. 7. Beschlossen, Daß die Synodalbeamten hiermit angewiesen und ermächtigt sind, das Seminar-Eigenthum an der Franklin Straße in Philadelphia zum Verkauf anzubieten, und daß dieselben, nachdem der Verkauf zu einem Preis, der ihnen gutdünkt, stattgefunden hat, hiedurch ermächtigt sein sollen, einen Kaufbrief oder Kaufbriefe oder andere Versicherungen, welche das Gesetz fordern mag, um dem Käufer oder den Käufern einen guten und unverletzlichen Besitztitel (in fee simple) zu geben, zu unterzeichnen mit dem Siegel des Ministeriums zu versehen und dem Käufer oder den Käufern besagten Eigenthums oder eines Theiles desselben zu übergeben.

Beschlossen, daß das Anerbieten der Zions-Gemeinde in Philadelphia angenommen werde, nämlich, „daß der Kirchenrath genannter Gemeinde gewillt ist, die $3000 Hypothek (mortgage) als bezahlt einzutragen unter der Bedingung, daß die Synode der Gemeinde Credit gibt, einschließlich der schon einbezahlten $2222.94, für volle $5000, welche Summe der Gemeinde für den neuen Seminarbau in Mt. Airy auferlegt worden ist."

Beschlossen, daß wir unter gegenwärtigen Umständen auf die Bedingungen, welche die St. Paulus-Gemeinde stellt, nicht eingehen können.

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident, Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Krotel, der Ehrw. Dr. Samuel Laird und Herr Wm. H. Staake Esq., eine Committee bilden sollen, persönliche Rücksprache zu nehmen mit der Korporation der Zions-Gemeinde und derselben den Wunsch der Synode vorzulegen, auch ferner auf die Erhebung der Grundrente zu verzichten, so lange das Gebäude nicht verkauft ist; und ebenfalls mit der Korporation der St. Paulus-Gemeinde zu verhandeln in Bezug auf die Hypothek, und daß diese Committee Vollmacht haben soll, diese Angelegenheit zu ordnen.

Dr. Seiß theilte der Synode mit, daß die Familie des verstorbenen Dr. B. M. Schmucker, dessen Bibliothek dem theologischen Seminar in Philadelphia als Geschenk angeboten habe.

Hierauf wurde der Familie der herzliche Dank der Synode ausgesprochen.

Der Bericht der Direktoren wurde als Ganzes angenommen.

Bei der Wahl der Direktoren des theologischen Seminars fungirten die Stimmzähler Ehrw. C. H. Hemfath, W. A. C. Müller, H. N. Fegley, J. P. German, H. F. A. Hellwege; die Abgeordneten J. H. Lindeman, J. L. Heilig, A. B. Wolf, L. W. Fatzinger.

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Beschlossen, daß für 6 Geistliche als Direktoren gestimmt werde, und daß derjenige, welcher unter diesen die niedrigste Stimmenzahl erhält, an des verstorbenen Dr. Schmuckers Stelle dienen soll.

Als Direktoren des Seminars wurden erwählt:

Geistliche:	Laien:
Ehrw. S. Laird, D.D.,	Herr M. Langenstein,
„ J. A. Seiß, D.D.,	„ J. Zaun,
„ E. E. Sibole,	„ H. C. Chorley,
„ F. A. Mühlenberg, D.D.,	„ J. Fegley,
„ O. P. Smith,	„ J. W. Miller.
„ J. K. Plitt.	

Der Ehrw. Präsident machte der Synode Anzeige von dem plötzlichen und schrecklichen Tod des Dr. F. W. Kremer, Pastor der reformierten St. Johns-Gemeinde in Lebanon, welcher, als er eine Leiche zum Kirchhof begleitete, von einem Eisenbahnzug getödtet wurde.

Beschlossen, daß wir die Nachricht von dem plötzlichen Tod des Dr. Kremer mit tiefstem Bedauern gehört haben und hiermit der trauernden Familie unser herzliches Beileid aussprechen.

Der Ehrw. Präsident verlas ein Schreiben, worin die Beamten der Cornwall und Lebanon Eisenbahn die Synode einladen, die Bergwerke zu Cornwall und Mt. Gretna Park zu besuchen und ihr zu diesem Zwecke einen besonderen Eisenbahnzug zur Verfügung stellen.

Beschlossen, daß wir die Einladung annehmen und Samstag Nachmittag halb 3 Uhr als Zeit des Ausflugs festsetzen.

Vertagt mit Gebet von P. J. Kohler.

Vierte Sitzung.

Samstag, den 15. Juni, Vorm. 9 Uhr.

Dr. G. D. Bernheim leitete den Eröffnungs-Gottesdienst.

Dr. J. A. Seiß verlas den Bericht der Committee, welche im vorigen Jahr ernannt wurde, um sich mit den Trustees der englischen St. Johns-Gemeinde in Philadelphia, Pa., über die Ernennung eines englischen Professors für die von der genannten Gemeinde fundirte Professur im theol. Seminar zu berathen.

Bericht der Committee zur Berathung mit der St. Johannis-Gemeinde.

Die bei der letzten Versammlung des Ministerii ernannte Committee zur Berathung mit den Beamten der St. Johannis-Gemeinde, betreffs der Sache, welche von letzteren der Synode in einer Zuschrift unterbreitet wurde, hat sich ihrer Pflicht entledigt. Am Abend des 3. Juni kamen die Herren Dr. Seiß, Dr. Laird und W. H. Staake mit dem Verwaltungsrath der St. Johannis-Gemeinde zusammen, und wurden von demselben sehr freundlich empfangen. Die Urkunden der Synode, bezüglich der St. Johannis-Professur

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in unserm theologischen Seminar, wurden gründlich untersucht und alle mit dieser Sache verbundenen Thatsachen geprüft. Die Besprechung war durchweg harmonisch und wurde im besten Einvernehmen geführt. Die Beamten der St. Johannis-Kirche haben stets eine erfreuliche Bereitwilligkeit und Gefälligkeit an den Tag gelegt, bei der eigenthümlichen Lage und Bedürfnissen der Anstalt, schon die vielen Jahre Nachsicht zu üben; und sind sie der Ansicht, daß nun endlich die Zeit gekommen sei, da man die ihnen völlig zuerkannte Professorenstelle nach ursprünglichem Contract und Vereinbarung besetzen sollte, welcher Meinung Ihre Committee beipflichten mußte.

Der beglaubigte, offizielle Beschluß des Verwaltungsrathes der St. Johannis-Kirche, hinsichtlich dieser Sache, wird hiermit im Folgenden beigefügt:

„Evangelisch-lutherische Gemeinde der St. Johannis-Kirche in der Stadt und Umgebung von Philadelphia." Bei einer Spezial-Versammlung des Verwaltungsraths benannter Kirche, gehalten den 3. Juni 1889 und berufen zur Berathung mit einem Ausschusse des evang.-luth. Ministerii von Pennsylvanien, welcher bei dessen, im Jahre 1888 gehaltenen Sitzung ernannt wurde, um sich mit besagtem Verwaltungsrath über die „St. Johannis-Professur" im lutherischen theologischen Seminar in Philadelphia zu verständigen — wurde Folgendes, Vorwort und Beschlüsse, angenommen und Befehl gegeben, daß eine Abschrift derselben dem Vorsitzer der Committee übermittelt werde; nämlich:

In Anbetracht, daß die von der Gemeinde der evang.-luth. St. Johannis-Kirche fundirte Professur in dem in Philadelphia bestehenden theologischen Seminar der evang.-luth. Kirche, und bekannt als die „St. Johannis-Professur," nun etliche Jahre vakant gewesen, und

In Anbetracht, daß das Anrecht besagter Gemeinde der St. Johannis-Kirche diese Professur besetzen zu lassen, von dem Ministerii von Pennsylvanien völlig anerkannt wird, sowohl wie das Vorrecht die mit solcher Professur verbundenen Lehrgegenstände und die Sprache, in welcher der Professor unterrichten soll, zu bestimmen,

Darum sei es beschlossen, daß der Verwaltungsrath besagter St. Johannis-Kirche ihre früher über diese Frage angenommenen Beschlüsse wiederholt; nämlich:

1. Daß besagte Professur nun von besagtem Ministerio besetzt werden soll.
2. Daß des besagten Professors Hauptfach in dem Unterricht in der Homiletik und geistlichen Rednerkunst bestehen soll; daß aber zugleich dem Verwaltungsrath von besagtem Seminar die Freiheit zugestanden sei, solchem Professor, wie es demselben von Zeit zu Zeit gut dünkt, noch andre Unterrichtsfächer aufzulegen.
3. Daß die Sprache besagter Professur die englische sein soll.

Attest: **G. Augan Reff**, Sekretär.

Mit Rücksicht auf diese Beschlüsse, und in Uebereinstimmung mit den Ergebnissen obengenannter Unterredung, empfiehlt Ihre Committee, gemäß Vereinbarungen und Bedingungen, in welche das Ministerium schon früher mit der St. Johannis-Gemeinde einging, daß das Ministerium jetzt zur Wahl eines Stelleninhabers der St. Johannis-Professur im theologischen Seminar schreite.

Ehrerbietigst unterbreitet

Jos. A. Seiß, Vorsitzer des Verwaltungsrathes.

Der Bericht der Committee wurde angenommen. Die Empfehlung, bei dieser Versammlung einen Professor zu wählen, gut geheißen und

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Beschlossen: Daß ein Committee von 9 Gliedern, zu welchen der Pastor und der Abgeordnete der St. Johns-Gemeinde gehören sollen, ernannt werde, um einen oder mehrere Kandidaten für diese Professur vorzuschlagen und nicht später als Montag Nachmittag darüber zu berichten.

Als Committee wurden ernannt: Ehrw. J. A. Seiß D. D., LL. D, Ehrw. E. E. Sibole, Ehrw. C. W. Schäffer D. D., LL. D., Ehrw. D. H. Geissinger, Ehrw. S. Laird D. D. und die Laien: J. H. Wolfe, Esq., W. H. Staake, Esq., Reuben Bär, M. Langenstein.

P. L. H. Geschwind berichtete, daß Folgende als Trustees des Mühlenberg-Kollegiums erwählt seien:

Geistliche:	Laien:
Ehrw. S. A. Repaß D. D.,	Herr J. K. Moser,
„ C. J. Cooper,	Achtb. M. C. Henninger,
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß.	„ E. H. Stein, Esq.,
„ J. F. Ohl,	„ E. A. Albright.
„ B. W. Schmauk,	
„ D. K. Kepner,	
„ S. E. Ochsenford,	
„ G. A. Hinterleitner D. D.	

Pastor A. Richter, Delegat vom New York-Ministerium, lenkte die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf folgende Anträge, welche seine Synode ihn beauftragt hatte, unserm Körper vorzulegen:

1. Wir weisen unsern Delegaten an das Pennsylvanische Ministerium an, bei dessen nächster Versammlung dasselbe herzlich zu bitten, das so oft gegebene Aergerniß betreffs des Predigens auf den Kanzeln Andersgläubiger abschaffen zu wollen.

2. Beschlossen, daß unser Delegat an das Pennsylvanische Ministerium ersucht werde, auf die Vereinbarung zwischen unserm Ministerium und der Executiv-Committee des Pennsylvania-Ministeriums, betreffs der Grenzbestimmung der beiden Synoden vom Jahre 1872 aufmerksam zu machen.

Da der Ehrw. Präses es aus besonderen Gründen entschieden ablehnte, seinerseits eine Committee für diese Angelegenheit zu ernennen, wurden die beiden Sekretäre und der Schatzmeister der Synode angewiesen, eine Committee zu ernennen, welche über diese Anträge einen Bericht einbringen soll und zwar soll dieser Bericht das erste Geschäft am Dienstag Morgen sein; (siehe siebente Sitzung).

Als Committee wurden ernannt die Pastoren A. Späth D. D., F. A. Mühlenberg D. D., LL. D., B. Sadtler D. D. und die Laien J. J. Mohr und G. C. Böhm.

Pastor J, Fry, D. D., verlas den

Bericht der Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Die 21. Versammlung des General-Concils fand statt in der St. Johannis-Kirche, Minneapolis, G. H. Trabert, Pastor, vom 13. bis zum 19. September 1889. Unser Ministerium war durch 19 Pastoren und 6 Laien vertreten. Es sind gegenwärtig 8 Synoden in vollem Verband mit dem Concil. Die Michigan-Synode hat bei dieser Versammlung ihren Austritt aus dem Verband schriftlich angezeigt. Die deutsche Synode von Iowa war von zwei

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Delegaten vertreten, einem Pastor und einem Laien, die das Recht der Debatte hatten.

Unsrem Ministerium wurde wieder die Ehre zu Theil, einen seiner Delegaten zum Präsidenten erwählt zu sehen, nähmlich Ehrw. Joseph Seiß, D. D., LL. D. Ein besonderer Beschluß wurde passirt, worin dem Dr. Späth, welcher acht Jahre lang das Amt des Präsidenten begleitet hatte, der Dank und die Anerkennung des Körpers ausgesprochen wurde.

Die Ordnung der Ministerial-Akte wurde zum Abschluß gebracht und zum Druck beordert.

1. Es zeigte sich ein wachsendes Interesse an innerer Mission, und es wurden Vorkehrungen getroffen zu durchgreifenderem Betrieb dieses Werks. Die dazu nöthigen Summen wurden bewilligt, und diesem Ministerium wurden $10,000 auferlegt, — $5000 für die deutsche Committee und eine gleiche Summe für die englische. Obige Bestimmungen werden dem Ministerium zur Annahme empfohlen.

2. Um die Einnahme größerer Summen zu befördern, wurde beschlossen, den Sonntag nach Himmelfahrt als Kindertag zu halten. Die Beobachtung dieses Tages wurde allen Gemeinden und Sonntagschulen anempfohlen, um Geld zu sammeln für die innere Mission des General-Concils. Unser Ministerium sollte diesem Beschluß seine Zustimmung geben.

Der Vorschlag dieses Ministeriums, daß das General-Concil sich alle zwei Jahre versammeln sollte, wurde nicht angenommen, und demgemäß wird die nächste Versammmlung am 12. Oktober in der ersten engl.-luth. Kirche zu Pittsburg stattfinden.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung entgegengenommen.

No. 1. Angenommen.

No. 2. Die Empfehlung, einen Kindertag zu feiern, wurde gutgeheißen, doch wurde es jedem einzelnen Pastor überlassen, einen passenden Sonntag zu bestimmen.

Hierauf wurde der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Bei der nun folgenden Wahl für Delegaten an das General-Concil dienten als Wahlaufseher die Pastoren S. A. Ziegenfuß, J. L. Sibole, B. E. Kramlich, E. L. Reed, J. H. Neiman, J. Niemann, und die Laien Dr. H. A. Gernert, W. Stotz, John Fahrion, Hiram Burdan, A. D. Long — und bei der später stattfindenden Wahl für Stellvertreter die Pastoren G. D. Foust, C. L. Fry und die Laien Thom. Illig, Alb. T. Clay.

Erwählt wurden als

Delegaten an das General-Concil.

Geistliche:	Laien:
Ehrw. G. F. Krotel D. D., LL. D., von Amtswegen,	Herr Wm. H. Staake Esq.,
„ J. A. Seiß D. D., LL. D.	„ C. R. Lantz Esq.,
„ S. Laird D. D.,	„ T. H. Diehl,
„ J. Fry D. D.,	„ C. D. Norton,
„ H. E. Jacobs D. D.,	„ A. W. Potteiger,
„ S. A. Repaß D. D.,	„ M. Langenstein,
„ F. J. F. Schantz,	„ Heinr. Bätes,
„ A. Späth D. D.,	„ J. Fegley,
	„ R. A. Bär,

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Geistliche:	Laien:
„ T. L. Seip D. D.,	„ A. G. Säger,
„ G. F. Spieker D. D.,	„ Prof. S. P. Sadtler,
„ W. J. Mann D. D., LL. D.,	„ J. H. Wolfe Esq.,
„ C. W. Schäffer D. D., LL. D.	„ W. G. Heller,
„ D. H. Geissinger,	„ Wm. Hauff,
„ Enoch Smith,	„ J. J. Mohr,
„ H. Grahn,	„ D. Dietz,
„ J. M. Anspach,	„ L. H. Ließ,
„ M. C. Horine,	„ J. A. Geissenhainer,
„ F. A. Mühlenberg D. D., LL. D.,	„ C. B. Opp,
„ W. H. Richards D. D.	„ H. Lehman.
„ C. J. Cooper.	

Stellvertreter an das General-Concil.

Geistliche:	Laien:
Ehrw. J. F. Ohl,	Herr Aug. Bendel,
„ B. W. Schmauk,	„ Dr. P. B. Breinig,
„ W. A. Schäffer,	„ A. B. Walp,
„ S. A. Ziegenfuß,	„ G. H. Reinöhl,
„ D. K. Kepner,	„ J. H. Lindeman,
„ Ph. Pfatteicher,	„ E. Aug. Miller,
„ E. E. Sibole,	„ W. Stahler,
„ L. Lindenstruth,	„ J. K. Moser,
„ L. Groh,	„ Th. B. Illig,
„ H. B. Strodach,	„ G. H. Moller,
„ F. W. Weiskotten,	„ Heinr. Johnston,
„ G. D. Bernheim D. D.,	„ J. W. Miller,
„ E. H. Pohle,	„ Wm. Breinig,
„ J. J. Kündig,	„ A. H. Carmany,
„ B. Sadtler D. D.,	„ E. Artman,
„ J. Kohler,	„ H. S. Cassel,
„ H. Peters,	„ T. Säger.
„ R. Hill,	„ M. K. Erdmann,
„ F. F. Bürmeyer,	„ E. C. Miller,
„ H. N. Fegley.	„ C. A. Heinitsch.

Als Committee über die von den Gemeinden für Wohlthätigkeits-Zwecke eingegangenen Beiträge zu berichten (Siehe letztjährige Verhandlg. S. 69), wurden ernannt: Pastor O. P. Smith, von der ersten Konferenz; Pastor J. O. Upp, von der zweiten; Pastor L. J. Bickel, von der dritten; Pastor J. H. Umbenhen, von der vierten; Pastor J. Darmstätter, von der fünften, und Pastor P. F. A. Glasow, von der deutschen Konferenz.

Pastor J. D. Schindel verlas den Bericht der Committee zur Prüfung der Rechnungen des Schatzmeisters, welcher angenommen wurde.

Bericht der Committee zur Prüfung der Rechnung des Schatzmeisters.

Ihre Commission zur Prüfung des Schatzmeisterberichts hat die Rechnungsführung der verschiedenen Fonds in Händen des Schatzmeisters sammt den Belegen sorgfältig geprüft und richtig befunden.

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Zugleich freut sich die Committee, Zeugniß abzulegen über die schöne und systematische Führung der Bücher und Rechnungen.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet,

J. D. Schindel, W. Gould Heller,
B. E. Kramlich, Sam. K. Gadtler,
F. W. Weiskotten, K. A. Bär,
A. L. Yount, W. Hauff.
E. L. Reed,

Beschlossen, daß die letzte Prüfung der Schatzmeisters-Rechnung an die Finanz-Committee überwiesen werde. (Siehe Anhang).

Der ehrw. Vorsitzer verlas ein Schreiben von der Familie des verstorbenen Dr. Kremer, in welchem die Familie für das ihr ausgesprochene Beileid der Synode herzlich dankt und dieselbe zur Beerdigung am Dienstag Nachmittag einladet.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor D. Sanner.

Fünfte Sitzung.

Montag, den 17. Juni, Vorm. 8½ Uhr.

Der Ehrw. J. Kohler leitete die Andacht zur Eröffnung der Sitzung.

Der Ehrw. Präsident zeigte der Synode an, daß er das Entlassungsschreiben des Ehrw. Geo. W. Sandt, welcher in unser Ministerium Aufnahme begehrt, von der Augustana-Synode erhalten habe und Pastor Sandt nach Beschluß der Synode als Glied anzusehen sei.

Herr H. Lehman, Präsident des Verwaltungsraths, verlas den

30. Jahresbericht des Waisenhauses und Asyls zu Germantown, Pa.

Die Gnade und Güte des Herrn hat in dem vergangenen Jahre auf diese Anstalt unserer Kirche Seinen reichen Segen fließen lassen und wir loben und preisen den himmlischen Vater, daß unser Bestreben mit erfreulichem Erfolg begleitet worden und wir mittheilen können, daß die Anstalt sich in allen Theilen in einem befriedigenden und erfreulichen Zustand befindet; hoffend auf Ihn, den Allmächtigen, dessen Güte ewiglich währet und Ihn anflehend, daß Er uns auch möge in der Zukunft beschützen, behüten und gnädig sein. Das vergangene Jahr hatte seine Sorgen, aber auch bedeutende Ermuthigungen. Dem lieben Vater im Himmel sei Dank, Lob, Preis und Anbetung, daß Er aus Waisenhaus und Alten-Heimath Seuche und Unglück fern gehalten hat. Gelobet sei der Name des Herrn!

I. Das Waisenhaus.

Der Gesundheitszustand war alles, was man wünschen konnte während des ganzen Jahres. Weder schwerer Krankheitsfall noch Todesfall kam vor. In jedem Fall war, nachdem derselbe treulich und gewissenhaft bewacht wurde,

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eine Genesung und Wiederherstellung das Resultat. Es sind gegenwärtig 56 Knaben und 23 Mädchen, zusammen 79 Waisenkinder, in der Anstalt. 8 Knaben und 3 Mädchen verließen die Anstalt, welche entweder ein Handwerk, bei solchen von uns Anvertrauten, erlernen oder zu ihren Freunden und Verwandten, die im Stande und auch willig sind, für dieselben zu sorgen, zurückkehrten. Es wurden 6 Waisenknaben und ein Waisenmädchen in die Anstalt aufgenommen. 4 Mädchen und 5 Knaben wohnten dem Unterricht im Katechismus, in der evang.-luth. St. Michaelis-Kirche, Ehrw. Pastor J. P. Deck, bei und nachdem sie eine Prüfung bestanden und von dem Pastor und Kirchenrath der St. Michaelis-Kirche als vorbereitet erklärt wurden, so wurden sie am Palmsonntag, an welchem die feierliche Konfirmations-Handlung stattfand, konfirmirt.

Der Hausvater, Herr Karl F. Kuhnle und seine werthe Gattin, stehen der Anstalt treulich vor und sorgen für tüchtige Verwaltung, tragen Sorge, daß jedem, was ihm gehöret, zukomme und für die Erhaltung des Friedens, der Ordnung und eines christlichen Lebenswandels. Ihnen gebührt der herzlichste Dank dafür, daß sie sich bemühen, daß alles wohl gedeihe in allen Theilen der Anstalt.

Die Kinder gehen regelmäßig in die evang.-luth. St. Michaelis-Kirche zum Gottesdienst und zur Sonntagschule.

Die Schule, unter der tüchtigen Leitung der Oberlehrerin Frl. Emma A. Kähler, bestand eine Prüfung in höchst befriedigender Art und die Prüfung bewies, daß Fleiß, Ordnung, Fortschritt, freundliches Betragen und strikte Disciplin in der Schule herrschen, und man mußte anerkennen, daß das Betragen der Schüler musterhaft war, nicht nur in den Schulräumen, sondern auch außerhalb derselben.

Unter der Aufsicht von Frl. Rosa Weegman gedeiht die Kindergartenschule und es ist eine Lust, die Arbeit und das Geschick der Kleinen zu betrachten; ein Besuch wird jeden erfreuen.

Ernst J. Kretschman und Chas. W. Jeffries haben bis zur Vollendung ihres Kursus das theologische Seminar besucht. Wir können freudig bezeugen, daß die Berichte über dieselben, seitens der Seminar-Behörde in Bezug auf Betragen, Fortschritt, Fleiß, ermunternd ist und können das Gleiche mittheilen von Wm. J. Kretschman, welcher sich noch im Seminar befindet.

II. Die Alten-Heimath (Asyl).

Auch hier in der Heimath der Alten, Betagten und Gebrechlichen, hat die Güte und Gnade des lieben Vaters im Himmel gewaltet und ist auch dieser Theil reichlich gesegnet. Unter der tüchtigen Verwaltung der Frau Julia Riedt, geduldig und treu, gewissenhaft, mit gutem Takt, mit christlicher Nachsicht und unparteiischem Urtheil handelnd, gedeiht das Alten-Heim und bleibt uns in kräftigem und blühendem Zustand erhalten. Eine spezielle Committee sorgt beständig für die geistlichen Bedürfnisse. Die Gottesdienste werden in der Kapelle der Anstalt gehalten.

Drei Todesfälle kamen im Asyl vor, nämlich: Frau Emily Lütters, welche am 27. April A. D. 1888 starb, Frau Katharina Klemm am 3. August A. D. 1888 und Frau Margaretha Stegerer am 2. Januar A. D. 1889.

Drei alte Frauen wurden aufgenommen in die Anstalt, so daß die Anzahl im Alten-Heim wie zuvor 32 beträgt.

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Speziell.

Herr Geo. M. Kinsler, viele Jahre ein treues, thätiges, eifriges Mitglied des Verwaltungsrathes, mußte durch Alter und der damit verbundenen Schwäche, zu unserm großen Bedauern sein Amt niederlegen; wir bezeugen seine große Gewissenhaftigkeit, Opferwilligkeit und Besorgniß für das Wohlgedeihen der Anstalt. Herr H. S. Cassel wurde an seine Stelle erwählt; als ein eifriges, thätiges und sehr nützliches Mitglied hat sich derselbe bewiesen.

Dr. J. R. Schellenberger hat auch im verflossenen Jahre seine sehr werthvollen und unentgeltlichen Dienste beiden Anstalten gewidmet. Er verdient unseren besten Dank für die freundliche Behandlung und den Nutzen seiner Kenntnisse, welche er stets bereit ist, mit Freuden allen zukommen zu lassen.

III. Unsere Mitarbeiter.

Die werthen Frauen (Besucherinnen) der verschiedenen lutherischen Gemeinden Philadelphias und der Nachbarschaft, besuchen die Anstalt regelmäßig, stets darauf sehend, daß die nöthige Fürsorge und Pflege Alt und Jung erhalten werde, und daß Alles Nöthige und was der Anstalt förderlich sein kann, angeschafft werde; sie laden ihre Freunde und auch Fremde ein, die Anstalt zu besuchen und begleiten dieselben auch bei den Besuchen, und erwecken dadurch eine regere Theilnahme an den Aufgaben der Anstalt. Der reiche Segen Gottes ist auch reichlich auf ihre Arbeit geflossen.

Eine der Besucherinnen, eine der thätigsten und eifrigsten, welche viele Jahre in unserer Mitte war, ein Glied und eine würdige Repräsentantin der deutschen evang.-luth. St. Jakobus-Kirche, Pastor F. W. Weiskotten, welche trotz ihres hohen Alters ein nachahmungswürdiges Beispiel für alle war durch ihre Bereitwilligkeit zu jeder Zeit, der guten Sache dienlich und nützlich zu sein, hat der Herr zur ewigen Heimath berufen. Von Alt und Jung immer gern gesehen und geehrt, wird das Andenken von Frau Dorothea Hormann stets im Segen bleiben.

Die Dienstzeit von 2 Gliedern des Verwaltungsrathes, die des Ehrw. Pastor F. Wischan und des Herrn Reuben B. Miller, ist mit dieser Synodal-Sitzung abgelaufen. Eine Neuwahl ist vorzunehmen.

Herzlichsten Dank allen Freunden in Stadt und Land, welche unsere Anstalten mit ihren Geschenken an Geld und Waare unterstützt haben. Der liebe Vater im Himmel vergelte es allen. Wir danken dem Herrn aller Herren, daß Er in den Herzen so vieler eine Theilnahme erweckt und erhalten hat und hoffen auf Ihn, daß uns auch in der Zukunft eine gleiche, ja vermehrte Theilnahme zukommen möge.

IV. Der Gabentag,

am 23. Mai 1889 abgehalten, war wieder ein erfreulicher Festtag. Trotz des drohenden Wetters war der Besuch ein großer und die Gaben wurden reichlich eingesandt. Freunde kamen von Fern und Nah, eine beträchtliche Anzahl von Lehigh Valley, Wilmington, Del., Norristown, Lancaster und vielen anderen Städten. Der Gabentag gestaltete sich zu einem freudigen, christlichen Volksfest, in welchem Freundschaft und Wohlthätigkeit ein Hauptschmuck war. Die werthen Frauen, unter deren eigener Aufsicht dieser populäre Freudentag steht, hatten sich außerordentliche Mühe gegeben und Sorge dafür getragen mit Freuden und ein außerordentlicher Erfolg erfreute auch ihre Arbeit.

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Herzlichsten Dank allen den Mitarbeitern und den fröhlichen Gebern. Gott der Herr segne in Seiner Gnade und Güte unser Waisenhaus und Asyl.

H. Lehman, Präsident.
R. B. Miller, Englischer Sekr.
F. Wischan, Deutscher Sekr.
J. C. File, Schatzmeister.
W. J. Mann, D. D., LL. D.
A. Späth, D. D.
J. P. Deck.
F. P. Bender.
H. S. Cassel.
W. H. Staake, Rechtsanwalt.

Schatzmeisters-Bericht

des Waisenhauses und der Alten-Heimath für Alte und Gebrechliche der evang.-luth. Kirche in Germantown, Pa., vom 7. April 1888 bis 2. April 1889.

Das zinsbringende Kapital ist wie folgt:

Geschenk von dem verstorbenen Herrn Lewis Bremer, Philadelphia	$ 1000 00
„ „ „ „ „ J. M. Pleis sen., „	1000 00
„ „ „ „ „ J. M. Pleis sen, „	1000 00
„ des Herrn Jno. L. Bremer (Hypothek)	5000 00
Vermächtniß der verstorbenen Frau Judith Graff, Philadelphia	200 00
Eine Deposit (früher ein Ver. St Bond)	300 00
Note für Geld, von welchem die Anstalt den Zins bekommt	2800 00
Vermächtniß von dem verstorbenen Herrn Geo. W. Grove, Philadelphia	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes in Pennsylvanien	500 00
„ „ „ „ Philadelphia	100 00
Vermächtniß der verstorbenen Christina Schweigert	50 00
„ von Frl. Elisabeth Rodmann Fischer	100 00
„ „ „ Rebecca Jungkurth	100 00
„ des verstorbenen Herrn Jesse George, Philadelphia	500 00
Geschenk eines Freundes	200 00
Vermächtniß der verstorbenen Rachel Stewart	100 00
„ des „ Herrn Benj. D. Barton	300 00
„ der „ Frau Catharina Nixon	500 00
„ des „ Chas M. Eckert	400 00
„ der „ Anna Idell	100 00
„ des „ James Monroe, Philadelphia	1000 00
„ „ „ Johann Heinrich Oestreicher	25 00
„ „ „ Christian Würtemberger	25 00
„ „ „ Herrn Peter Seeger, Philadelphia	5000 00
„ der „ Margaretha Schlotterer	25 00
„ des „ Lewis D Beck	2000 00
„ „ „ Geo. W. Tryon	100 00
	$22,925 00
Vom Vermächtniß des verst. Lewis D. Beck war die Bedingung, daß die Summe für den Asyl-Bau benutzt werden soll, welches auch geschah	2000 00
Bleibt	$20,925 00
Vermächtniß des verstorbenen Herrn Abraham Schiedt	1000 00
„ „ „ Frau Cath Wolf, Wittwe von John Wolf	200 00
„ „ „ Frau C. Laib $250 weniger Erbsteuer	237 50
„ „ „ „ Johanna Holdermann, Norristown, Pa.	50 00
„ „ „ Herrn John Messerschmidt, Reading, Pa	300 00
Geschenk von Luther P. Keller, Philadelphia	100 00
Uebertrag	$31,812 50

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Vortrag	$31,812 50
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn Jno. E. Fox, Philadelphia, $3000 und Zinsen weniger Erbsteuer	2857 50
Vermächtniß des Herrn Wm Freas, Barren Hill, weniger Erbsteuer	95 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Frau Elisabeth Schneider, Philadelphia	100 00
Geschenk von Frau Mary M. Colladay	300 00
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Frau C. McLaughlin	25 00
Vermächtniß von dem verst. John Seffert, Phila , $500 weniger Erbsteuer	475 00
Zusage des Obergerichts in dem Fall des Gaßman Vermögens	462 00
Vermächtniß des verst. J P. Sanner, Frackville, mit Zinsen weniger Erbsteuer	191 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Herrn E. Jonathan Deininger, Reading	250 00
„ der „ Isabella D. King, Frederick Co , Md	579 35
Durch die Herren Wm. L. Schaffer und John Welsh, Trustees eines speziellen Fonds	415 75
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage der verst. Friedericke Mannal	100 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Mary A. Warner, Columbus, Ohio, durch Herrn Lewis Heyl	1000 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Mary Bockius	150 00
Schlußzusage des Obergerichts in dem Gaßman'schen Vermögen	328 00
Von dem Vermächtniß des verst. Ehrw. C. F. Heyer durch Ehrw. Dr. Passavant	150 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Lydia Benner, Norristown, Pa., $1500 weniger Erbsteuer	1428 75
Von dem Verkauf von Ehrw. Dr. W. J. Manns Buch „Heilsbotschaft"	601 65
Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Frau Maria M. Knecht (Andenkensgabe)	100 00
Vermächtniß von Dorothea Hawk $100 weniger Erbsteuer	95 00
Zusatz zum Vermächtniß vom verst Wm. Freas, Erbsteuer zurückerstattet durch die Exekutoren Jesse Freas und Wm. Creßman	5 00
Geschenk von Herrn John Kuntz, Phila., Bond der Pa. Canal Co. @	1000 00
Andenken gestiftet von Theodor C. Engel, Phila., (für sich und seine Geschwister) als Andenken an deren liebe Mutter, die verst. Frau Cath. J. Engel, eine der Frauen Besuchenden	1000 00
Vermächtniß von Jno. B. Meckert	10 00
Vermächtniß der verst. Frau Catharina M Bremer, Phila., eine der Frauen Besuchenden	2000 00
Vermächtniß des verst. Caspar Heft, Phila	1000 00
„ der verst. Frau Henrietta Sachs $200 weniger Erbsteuer	190 00
„ des verst. Jno Pflugfelder $100 weniger Erbsteuer	95 00
„ der verst. Maria Anna Stiefel $100 weniger Erbsteuer	95 00
„ der verst. Frau Lydia Benner (für das Asyl) $500 weniger Unkosten	466 81
Vermächtniß der verst. Friedericke Göttel	100 00
Dazu Vermächtniß der verst Mary Esher 5 shares Penna. R. R. stock	
	$38,478 31

Es wurden demselben im vergangenen Jahre zugefügt:

Lebenslängliche Mitglieds-Einlage von Gen. Louis Wagner	$25 00	
Von E. E. Weiskotten, New York, für sein verst. Söhnchen Georgie	30 00	
Vermächtniß des verst. Conrad Schmidt $100 weniger Erbsteuer	95 00	
Vom Linsenberger Vermächtniß	30 00	
Vermächtniß der verst. Hannah L. Warden	183 45	
„ des verst. Herrn John Kuntz, Phila	475 00	
„ des verst. Herrn Jno. H. Dohnert, Phila	475 00	
		1313 45
		$39,791 76

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Einkünfte vom 7. April 1888 bis 28. April 1889.

Collecte bei der Jahresfeier in der St. Johns-Kirche, Phila., Ehrw. E. E. Sibole, Pastor, am 7. April 1888	$56 07
Spezielle Gaben von Herrn H. A. Schmoll, Easton	100 00
von Herrn S. Weir Lewis und Frau S. Weir Lewis, Phila	100 00
von Herrn F. W. Wolff, Phila	100 00
von M. M.	100 00
Danksagungstags-Gabe von Herrn Jno. L. Bremer, Boston	250 00
" " von seinen Kindern	30 00
Synodal-Bewilligung für das Asyl	50 00
Collecte bei der Synodal-Waisenhausversammlung in Lancaster, Pa.	22 60
Von Kirchen und kirchlichen Gesellschaften und Vereinen	2209 66
Von Sonntagschulen	1424 49
Von Frauen-Besuchenden, Verwaltungsrathsgliedern, Superintendenten und Schatzmeister	632 92
Zinsen von zinsbringenden Geldern und Anleihen	1784 00
Zinsen (1 Jahr) des Vermächtnisses des verst. Herrn Carl F. Wernle, durch die Trustees der St. Johannis-Kirche in Phila.	25 00
Von geselligen und litterarischen Vereinen	50 00
Von kleinen Gebern	7 00
Geschenk für die 4. Juli Feier	25 00
Inhalt der Gabenkästchen in der Anstalt	7 10
Arbeit in der Anstalt	5 10
Spezieller Gabentag der St. Michaelis-Gem., Ehrw. Past. F. P. Bender	135 75
Erlös eines Kirchen-Conzerts in der Zions-Kirche, Phila.	174 76
Ein Freund schenkte für das Christfest für Bücher und Geschenke	50 00
Collecte bei der Christfeier im Waisenhaus	69 10
	$7408 55
Gabentags-Resultat	3329 21
	$10,737 76

Ausgaben vom 7. April 1888 bis 28. April 1889.

Für Gehalte	$1535 00
" Löhne, incl. Hausreinigung, Wäsche &c.	1367 64
" Reparaturen	842 74
" Kleider	369 70
" Arznei	66 96
" Groceries	699 88
" Lebensmittel	1287 59
" Milch	812 80
" Fleisch	815 17
" Schulzwecke	128 08
" Gas zur Beleuchtung	182 85
" Ausgaben des Feldes und Gartens	202 43
" Brot	906 12
" Fracht an Waaren und Geschenken, Expreß &c.	244 02
" Hausartikel und Geräthe	112 55
" Leichenbestattungsausgaben (das meiste geschenkt)	21 04
" Kohlen	1020 00
" Wasserrente	33 65
An die Anstalt für schwachsinnige Kinder	40 00
Für Feuerversicherung	65 20
" Druckkosten	6 00
	$10,759 42

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Recapitulation.

In Kasse am 7. April 1888	$ 86	05
Einkünfte	10,737	76
	10,823	81
Ausgaben	10,759	42
In Kasse am 28. April 1889	$64	39

Hochachtungsvoll

J. C. Fille.

Herrn Lehman wurde dann weitere Gelegenheit gegeben, der Synode das Interesse des Waisenhauses und Altenasyls an's Herz zu legen.

Die beiden von ihm unterbreiteten Berichte wurden angenommen.

Herr P. F. Wischan und Herr R. B. Miller, deren Dienstzeit als Glieder des Verwaltungsraths abgelaufen war, wurden einstimmig wieder erwählt.

Herrn Dr. G. A. Hinterleitner, der durch den plötzlichen Tod seines Sohnes in Trauer versetzt worden war, und genöthigt, eine Zeitlang von der Synodalversammlung abwesend zu sein, wurde durch den ehrw. Präsidenten das herzliche Beileid der Synode ausgesprochen.

Dr. S. Laird zeigte der Synode an, daß ein Tractat über Taufe und Wiedergeburt, von Herrn Dr. W. J. Mann verfaßt, durch die Publikations-Committee veröffentlicht worden sei und zu 2 Cents das Stück zum Verkauf angeboten werde. (Siehe S. 64 und 70 in den letztj. Verh.)

Dr. A. Späth verlas den

Bericht des Delegaten an das New York-Ministerium.

Der Unterzeichnete hatte die Ehre, diesen Körper bei der 94. Versammlung des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von New York ꝛc., welche vom 7.—12. Juni in Rondout, N. Y., gehalten wurde, zu vertreten.

Das Ministerium zählt gegenwärtig 95 Pastoren und 85 Gemeinden in voller Verbindung, während 23 Gemeinden von Pastoren dieses Ministeriums bedient werden, die nicht in voller Verbindung mit demselben stehen.

Ein wichtiger Schritt wurde von dem Ministerium gethan, indem das Wagner-College zu Rochester, N. Y., zu einer Synodalanstalt gemacht und ein Board of Trustees angestellt wurde, der mit der Verwaltung der Anstalt betraut ist, da dieselbe besonders sich zum Ziel setzt, die Söhne unserer deutschen Gemeinden des Ostens zum Eintritt in das theologische Seminar in Philadelphia vorzubereiten, damit sie zu tüchtigen Pastoren unsrer deutschen Gemeinden herangebildet werden, so verdient sie auch unsere warme Theilnahme und Mitwirkung.

Während der Versammlung des Ministeriums wurden Thesen über die „Rechtfertigung" besprochen und der Delegat an unser Ministerium wurde beauftragt, zwei Punkte unserem Körper vorzulegen.

Achtungsvollst unterbreitet,

A. Späth.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und Dr. A. Späth als Delegat an das Ministerium von New York wieder erwählt.

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In Abwesenheit des Archivarius der Synode, Dr. W. J. Mann, verlas der ehrw. Präsident den

Bericht des Archivarius.

Hochwürdiger Herr Präsident!

Bei Uebergabe meines Jahresberichtes erlaube ich mir, Ihre Aufmerksamkeit auf folgende Punkte zu lenken:

Während der Synodal-Versammlung zu Lancaster im J. 1888 übergaben mir die ehrw. Herren Sekretäre der Synode gewisse Papiere, die der ehrbare Herr W. H. Staake, Rechtskonsulent der Synode, dem Verwaltungsrath des theologischen Seminars zu Philadelphia vorgelegt hatte und die durch den ehrw. Präsidenten desselben nun vor die Synode gebracht wurden und sich auf die Singmaster Stiftung und die gerichtliche Entscheidung damit verbundener Fragen beziehen.

Am 26. Mai übergab mir Herr Pastor E. S. Brownmiller ein Exemplar von "Memorial Discourse, History of the first Tulpehocken Lutheran Congregation, etc., delivered at the Semi-centennial of the erection of the present church edifice Nov. 26th 1887."

Am 28. Mai gab Herr Pastor J. W. Early in meine Hände eine biographische Skizze Herrn Pastor J. F. Bayers, gewesenen Mitgliedes dieses Ministeriums, geb. den 20. Dec. 1826, gestorben den 16. März 1887.

Am 28. Mai übergab mir Herr Prof. C. W. Schäffer, D.D., LL.D., Senior unserer theologischen Fakultät, ein Glückwunschtelegramm, welches die Fakultät des Augustana-Kollegiums und Seminars zu Rock Island, Ill., durch ihren Sekretär, den Ehrw. C. W. Esbjorn, bei Gelegenheit der Grundsteinlegung des neuen Seminars zu Mt. Airy freundlich gesandt hatte.

Am 24. September wurde mir von der Fakultät unseres Seminars ein feingebundenes Buch in Manuskript mit dem Titel "Greenwald Memorial" eingehändigt. Es enthält eine Sammlung von Briefen, welche der in Gott ruhende Ehrw. Dr. Greenwald als Pastor der Trinitatis-Gemeinde zu Lancaster an Herrn J. M. Swaro zu Lancaster, der Interesse an antiquarischen Forschungen nimmt und bei Herrn Dr. Greenwald darin Theilnahme fand, gerichtet hatte und nun diese Sammlung dem Ehrw. Senior der theologischen Fakultät zusandte.

Von den ehrw. Sekretären der Synode, Herrn Pastor J. W. Early und Herrn Pastor L. Lindenstruth, wurden mir zu verschiedenen Malen zahlreiche Dokumente zugestellt, über deren Inhalt die Synode in den Jahren 1887 und 1888 verhandelte.

Ebenfalls übergab mir Herr Pastor J. W. Early eine Arbeit seiner Hand über die Geschichte der St. Michaels-Kirche zu Lancaster.

Alle diese Gegenstände wurden von mir dem Archive der Synode einverleibt. Dasselbe geschah mit einem dem Andenken an den am 15. Okt. 1888 uns schnell entrissenen Ehrw. Dr. B. M. Schmucker, Pastor der Verklärungs-Kirche zu Pottstown, Pa., gewidmeten, der Feder Herrn Prof. Dr. Späths entstammenden, im April-Heft der Church Review dieses Jahres erschienenen Artikels.

Da ich erwarte während des kommenden Sommers mich im Auslande zu befinden, so erlaube ich mir, mit Zustimmung des hochwürdigen Herrn Präsidenten dieses Körpers, die Schlüssel zum Synodal-Archiv den Händen des

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Schatzmeisters der Synode, Ehrw. Herrn Pastor Samuel Laird, D.D., anzuvertrauen.

Hochachtungsvoll,

W. J. Mann, Archivarius.

Philadelphia, den 10. Mai 1889.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und Dr. W. J. Mann als Archivar wieder ernannt.

Beschlossen, daß während der Abwesenheit des Ehrw. Dr. W. J. Mann der Ehrw. Dr. S. Laird die Schlüssel zum Synodal-Archiv in Händen haben soll.

Die Committee über Lebensbeschreibungen berichtete durch ihre Glieder der betreffenden Konferenz, daß Biographien verfaßt und dem Archiv einverleibt worden seien von den verstorbenen Brüdern Dr. H. J. Schmidt, Dr. B. M. Schmucker, Pastor T. T. Jäger, Pastor J. N. S. Erb und Pastor D. E. Reed.

Die Glieder der Committee von der zweiten Konferenz wurden angewiesen, eine Biographie des verstorbenen Ehrw. Josua Jäger, und die Glieder der Committee der dritten Konferenz, eine über den verstorbenen Missionar F. S. Dietrich, dessen Tod in Indien der Synode angezeigt wurde, abzufassen und dem Archivar der Synode zuzustellen.

Dieselbe Committee wurde wieder ernannt. An Stelle des verstorbenen Dr. Schmucker wurde Dr. H. E. Jacobs gesetzt.

Der Ehrw. F. J. F. Schantz unterbreitete den

Bericht der Besucher des Emmaus-Waisenhauses.

Die Committee, bei der letzten Synode ernannt, besuchte das Emmaus-Waisenhaus zu Middletown, Pa., Mittwoch, den 22. Mai 1889. Letztes Jahr berichtete die Committee den Tod von Frau Laumann, Ehefrau von Lehrer Georg Laumann, und jetzt ist ihre traurige Aufgabe, den Tod des Herrn Laumann zu berichten, der nach dem Tod seiner Ehefrau in solch' traurige Lage gerieth, daß er sich selbst das Leben nahm. Herr und Frau Laumann hatten Jahre lang mit großer Treue sich der Pflege der Waisen gewidmet und ihr Tod wird herzlich betrauert von allen Freunden der Anstalt. Wir fanden die Waisen unter der Aufsicht eines neuen Lehrers und seiner Frau, Herr und Frau Nitraund, welche die Committee aufs wärmste empfingen. Augenblicklich befinden sich 28 Waisen in der Anstalt, vor zwei Jahren waren es deren 34. Der Vorstand hat verschiedene Applikationen für Aufnahme und werden bald einige neue Kinder aufgenommen werden. Die Committee fand die Gebäulichkeiten in sauberem Zustande. Die Prüfung der Waisen fand in der Schulstube statt und fiel sehr befriedigend aus. Nach der Prüfung fand eine Berathung zwischen der Committee, dem Prinzipal, W. A. Caroll, Esq., dem Lehrer Herrn Nitraund und Gliedern des Verwaltungsrathes statt und schlugen wir vor, etliche Veränderungen hinsichtlich des religiösen Unterrichts vorzunehmen, die Wichtigkeit eine neue Orgel anzuschaffen für die Schulstube, die Nothwendigkeit der Erlernung der deutschen Sprache sowohl als der englischen und einige Verbesserungen in der Anstalt selbst. Herr Caroll, der Prinzipal, legte der Committee den folgenden Auszug aus seinem Jahresbericht für das Jahr 1888 vor.

Einkommen vom Wasserwerk	$ 700.00
„ „ Bauereien	1568.59
„ „ Baulotten	2824.71
„ der Anstalt von allen Quellen	163.00
Ganze Einkünfte	$ 5256.30

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Ausgaben:

Für die Bauerei	$ 627.45
„ „ Lotten	116.64
„ das Waisenhaus	4448.97
„ die Anstalt	1005.27
	$ 6198.33
Deficit	$ 942.06

Die Committee wurde freundlich bewirthet. Anwesend waren Ehrw. F. J. F. Schantz, J. G. Pfuhl und H. N. Fegley; und die Herren George H. Reinöhl und F. W. Ließmann.

Achtungsvollst vorgelegt

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt.

Pastor Enoch Smith verlas den

Bericht der Committee über die Arbeit der Frauen in der Kirche.

Nach sorgfältiger Prüfung der vorliegenden Schriftstücke ist Ihre Committee zur Ueberzeugung gelangt, daß es eher ihre Aufgabe sei, statistische Notizen über die Ausdehnung, welche die Vereinigung der christlichen Frauen unserer Synode zu Gesellschaften, zur Betreibung des Werkes unseres Herrn in den Gemeinden und unter Aufsicht derselben erlangt hat, zu sammeln, als einen ins Einzelne gehenden Bericht über das Entstehen solcher Gesellschaften, ihr Verhältniß zu den Gemeinden, ihre Existenzberechtigung 2c. zu erstatten.

1. Es ist eine unbestrittene Thatsache, daß die Frauen in unsern Gemeinden ein immer wärmeres und persönlicheres Interesse an dem allgemeinen Werk der Kirche beweisen.

2. Frauen-Missionsvereine bilden sich jetzt in manchen unsrer Gemeinden, in welchen bisher nichts derartiges vorhanden gewesen.

3. Die von uns benutzten statistischen Notizen, die keinen Anspruch auf Vollständigkeit machen, stellen fest, daß mindestens dreitausend Frauen aus unsern Gemeinden, Glieder von Gemeinde-Missionsvereinen sind und daß während des letzten Synodaljahres über $4000.00 für das Missionswerk von ihnen beigetragen worden sind. Diese Beiträge wären aller Wahrscheinlichkeit nach niemals in unsre Kassen geflossen, hätten nicht die frommen Frauen, vom Verlangen Gutes zu thun getrieben, ihre Gaben auf dem von ihnen eingeschlagenen Weg dargebracht und auf den Altar des Herrn gelegt.

4. Wir erlauben uns vorzuschlagen, daß die Pastoren unserer Synode dieser Sache ernstliche Aufmerksamkeit widmen und sich angelegen sein lassen, das Interesse der Frauen in ihren Gemeinden an dem großen Missionswerke unserer Kirche zu erwecken, indem sie die Bildung von Missions-Vereinen innerhalb ihrer Gemeinden herbeiführen. Die Erfahrung der letzten paar Jahre berechtigt uns zu der Hoffnung, daß für das große Werk noch viel mehr gethan werden wird, wenn die Zahl solcher Vereine zunimmt und die Gemeinden die Bedürfnisse unserer Kirche besser kennen lernen.

Die Committee.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und dieselbe Committee wieder ernannt.

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Dr. S. Laird unterbreitete den

Bericht der Publikations-Committee.

Es waren an Hand 1680 Bogen des English Church Book, zu welchem 3150 Bogen zugefügt wurden.

Die 200 Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus wurden verkauft und eine neue Auflage ist im Druck.

Eine Auflage von 2400 groß und 6000 klein Format des deutschen Luth. Gesangbuchs wurde gedruckt.

Eine Anzahl des Freibriefs, der Constitution und Nebengesetze, welche in deutscher und englischer Sprache zusammen gebunden waren, wurden auf Ersuchen separat gebunden, die deutschen in dunkelbraunem, die englischen in hellbraunem Einband.

Ehrw. Pastor Dr. W. J. Mann's Tractat „Taufe und Wiedergeburt" wurde elektrotypiert mit Kosten $7.70. Eine Auflage von 10,000 kostet $47.50. Der Kostenpreis beträgt also $5.52 per Tausend.

Werth der Bücher an Hand, zum Verkaufspreis angeschlagen.

I.	English Church Book	$ 549.00
II.	Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus. Auflage verkauft, neue Auflage im Druck.	
III.	Deutsches lutherisches Gesangbuch	3240.24
IV.	Konstitution, Nebengesetze und Ordnungsregeln	158.00
	Summa	$ 3947.24

Schatzmeister-Bericht.

I. English Church Book.

Bogen an Hand laut letztem Bericht	1680
Es wurden zugefügt	3150
	4830
Verkauft wurden	3000
Vorrath	1830

Erlös vom Verkauf von 3000 Bogen $900.00. Druckkosten von 3150 Bogen $431.55. Bleiben $468.45.

II. Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus.

200 verkauft für $10 00
Neue Auflage im Druck

III. Deutsches Lutherisches Gesangbuch.

	16mo. Groß-Format.	32mo. Klein-Format.
Bogen	1148	1778
Zugefügt	2400	6000
	3548	7778
Verkauft	550	1810
	2998	5968
Gebunden	1600	3000
Vorrath	1398 in Bogen	2968

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	Gebunden 16mo.	32mo.
An Hand	332	1553
Zugefügt	1600	3000
	1932	4553
Verkauft	1220	2800
Gebunden	712	1753

Erlös vom Verkauf von 550 Bogen Groß-Format und 1220 Klein-Format. Gebunden 1810 Groß-Format und 2800 Klein-Format ..... $ 3073.15

Druckkosten. Binden von 2400 Bogen Groß-Format und 6000 Bogen Klein-Format. Gebunden 1600 Bogen Groß-Format und 3000 Bogen Klein-Format 1689.67

Verbleibt ..... $ 1383.48

IV. Charter, Constitution und Nebengesetze.

910 Exemplare an Hand, 120 verkauft; verbleiben 790 Exemplare.
Verkauft 120 für ..... $ 24.00

Rekapitulation.

I. English Church Book	$ 468.45
II. Benner's Sumneytown-Katechismus	10.00
III. Deutsches luth. Gesangbuch	1383.48
IV. Constitution, Nebengesetze und Ordnungsregeln	24.00
	$ 1885.93
Vom letzten Bericht	135.48
In Summa an den Schatzmeister des Ministeriums bezahlt	$ 2021.41

Achtungsvoll

Die Committee.

Dieselbe Committee wurde wieder ernannt und Dr. S. Laird derselben beigegeben.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor E. A. Bauer.

Sechste Sitzung.

Montag, den 17. Juni, 2 Uhr Nachmittags.

P. J. Gruhler leitete die Eröffnungs-Andacht.

Der Tagesordnung gemäß, berichtete Dr. J. A. Seiß, Vorsitzer der Committee, welche ernannt war, Kandidaten für die St. Johns-Professur im theologischen Seminar vorzuschlagen, daß die Committee sich dahin vereinigt habe, den Namen eines Mannes vorzulegen, von dessen hoher Befähigung für dieses Amt nicht allein die Committee, sondern auch die ganze Synode eine feste Ueberzeugung habe, nämlich den hochverehrten Präsidenten dieses Ministeriums, den Ehrw. G. F. Krotel, D.D., L.L. D.

Dr. Seiß stellte den Antrag, daß die Wahl jetzt durch Akklamation geschehe.

Der Ehrw. Dr. Krotel wurde hierauf einstimmig und einmüthig als St. Johns-Professor erwählt.

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Derselbe dankte herzlich für diesen erneuten Beweis des Zutrauens und der Hochachtung seitens der Synode und versprach, diese Sache ernstlich und mit Gebet erwägen zu wollen, ehe er den Direktoren des Seminars eine entscheidende Antwort darauf geben könne. Dr. F. A. Mühlenberg, P. E. E. Sibole und Andere drückten den Wunsch aus, der Ehrw. Dr. Krotel möge unter Gottes Führung dazu gelangen, diesen Ruf als einen von Gott gegebenen anzusehen und anzunehmen.

Die Beamten des Ministeriums, mit Ausnahme des Präsidenten, wurden beauftragt, dem Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Krotel einen mit dem Siegel des Ministeriums versehenen schriftlichen Ruf auszustellen.

Nachdem der Schatzmeister der Synode, Dr. S. Laird, die Aufmerksamkeit auf die Finanzen des theologischen Seminars gelenkt hatte, wurde

Beschlossen, daß der Gehalt des Ehrw. R. Hill, Agent und Superintendent des neuen Seminars, aus den Beiträgen, welche für den Baufond des Seminars einkommen, bezahlt werde.

Beschlossen, Daß die für die Ausgaben des Seminars nöthige Summe im kommenden Jahr auf $3000 statt $1200, wie bisher, berechnet werde.

Beschlossen, daß angesichts der Thatsache, daß bedeutend größere Summen für das kommende Synodaljahr nöthig sein werden, nun auch seitens der Pastoren und Gemeinden besondere Anstrengungen gemacht werden, die zugetheilten Auflagen aufzubringen.

Auf Antrag von Herrn Wm. H. Staake, Esq., wurde

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident und der englische Sekretär des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und benachbarten Staaten im Namen und unter dem Siegel der Korporation eine Vollmacht ausstellen, welche den Ehrw. J. K. Plitt, Schatzmeister des Ministeriums, rechtmäßig bevollmächtigt und ernennt als dessen Sachwalter jede Hypotheke oder Hypotheken, Verurtheilung oder Verurtheilungen, Eigenthum oder im Besitz des Ministeriums nach Empfang des vollen Betrags oder Beträge, welche durch dieselbe versichert sind zu löschen; und auch als solcher Sachwalter die nothwendige Uebertragung oder Ueberschreibungen von solchen Feuerversicherungs-Police oder Policen im Besitz des Ministeriums als Neben-Bürgschaft für solche Hypotheke oder Hypotheken, Verurtheilung oder Verurtheilungen zu machen.

Dr. C. W. Schäffer unterbreitete den

Bericht der Committee über Aufnahme von Gemeinden.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich zu berichten, daß folgende Documente derselben überreicht und sorgfältig erwogen wurden.

1. Eine Petition zur Aufnahme in die Synode unterzeichnet von dem Kirchenrath der Evang.-Luth. Holy Trinity-Gemeinde in Chester, Pa.

Diese Gemeinde hat einstimmig die von dem General-Concil empfohlene Constitution angenommen.

2. In ähnlicher Weise stellt die Evang.-Luth. St. Stephens-Gemeinde in Wilmington, Del., ihr Gesuch. Auch diese Gemeinde hat die von dem General-Concil empfohlene Constitution angenommen.

3. In ähnlicher Weise stellt die Evang.-Luth. Epiphany-Gemeinde in Manayunk, Philadelphia, ein Gesuch. Auch diese Gemeinde hat die vom General-Concil empfohlene Constitution angenommen.

4. Eine Petition von der Evang.-Luth. Christus-Gemeinde in Mahanoy City, Pa., in welcher dieselbe um die Erlaubnis nachsucht, aus der „deutschen

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Konferenz" austreten zu dürfen und sich wieder der dritten Konferenz anzuschließen.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich achtungsvollst folgenden Vorschlag zu machen:

Beschlossen, daß obige Petitionen genehmigt werden.

C. W. Schäffer, John Gruhler,
J. S. Erb, Henry Hemsath,
Geo. Ph. Müller, Peter Wall.

Der Bericht wurde Punkt für Punkt berathen.

Das Gesuch um Aufnahme in die Synode von der Holy Trinity-Gemeinde in Chester, Pa., der St. Stephans-Gemeinde in Wilmington, Del., und der Epiphany-Gemeinde in Manayunk, Philadelphia, wurde gewährt, und die Gemeinden aufgenommen.

Ebenfalls wurde das Gesuch der Christus-Gemeinde in Mahanoy City gewährt und diese Gemeinde der dritten Konferenz zugewiesen.

Hierauf wurde der Bericht als Ganzes angenommen.

Der Präsident verlas ein Schreiben von der Evang.-Luth. Kreuz-Gemeinde in Philadelphia, in welcher dieselbe bittet, ihre bisherige Verbindung mit der deutschen Konferenz lösen und sich wieder der ersten Konferenz anschließen zu dürfen.

Das Gesuch wurde gewährt.

Die ev.-luth. Zions-Gemeinde in Scranton, P. P. Zizelmann, bisher zur zweiten Konferenz gehörig, wurde auf ihren mitgetheilten Wunsch der deutschen Konferenz zugetheilt.

Auf Antrag wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Synode den Beamten der Lebanon- und Cornwall-Eisenbahn ihren herzlichen Dank entbiete für die freundliche Einladung Cornwall und Mount Gretna zu besuchen und für die Vorkehrungen, wodurch dieser Ausflug ermöglicht worden ist.

Dr. C. W. Schäffer verlas Folgendes, welches von der Synode angenommen wurde.

Am 15. Juni 1889 erhielt der Sekretär der Committee für auswärtige Mission eine Depesche vom Ehrw. H. Schmidt, einem unserer Missionare in Indien, mit der Nachricht, daß unser Missionar, der Ehrw. F. S. Dietrich, der 6 Jahre lang thätig und erfolgreich beschäftigt gewesen ist in unserer Mission in Indien, am 11. Juni 1889 gestorben ist.

In Anbetracht dieser traurigen Heimsuchung, erlaubt sich die Missions-Committee achtungsvollst dem Ministerium von Pennsylvanien, welchem der verstorbene Bruder angehörte, die folgende Handlung vorzuschlagen.

Beschlossen, daß wir mit tiefem Bedauern vom Tod unseres geliebten Bruders, dem Ehrw. F. S. Dietrich, gehört haben, und daß wir denselben betrauern als einen schweren Verlust beides für unsere Synode und die Mission, in welcher er so lange, so treu und erfolgreich gewirkt hat.

Beschlossen, daß wir mit liebevollem Herzen bewahren das Andenken seines freundlichen Benehmens, seines regen Eifers und seines ernsten Geistes, in welchem er hier und in Indien seinem Herrn stets diente.

Beschlossen, daß wir auch in unserer Heimsuchung fortfahren den Herrn der Ernte zu bitten, Arbeiter in seine Ernte zu senden, so daß, ob auch der Arbeiter sterbe, das Werk vorangehen möge.

Beschlossen, daß die Sekretäre der Synode beauftragt werden, der Familie unseres verstorbenen Bruders, dem Ehrw. F. S. Dietrich, eine Abschrift dieser Beschlüsse zu übermitteln.

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Herr W. H. Staake, Esq., schlug vor und es wurde

Beschlossen, daß der Präsident des evang.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvanien und benachbarten Staaten hiedurch beauftragt sei, im Namen und unter dem Siegel der Korporation dem Ehrw. J. K. Plitt, Schatzmeister der Korporation, solche Vollmacht oder Vollmachten auszustellen und zu übergeben, als von Zeit zu Zeit nothwendig werden mögen, dem genannten J. K. Plitt als Sachwalter zu ernennen, die laufenden Einkünfte, Interessen, Dividende von Stock, Werthpapieren, Verpflichtungen und andere Versicherungen im Besitz oder Eigenthum zu kollektieren.

Bericht der Committee über den Schatzmeister-Bericht.

Die Committee über den Bericht des Schatzmeisters berichtet, daß sie den Bericht mit den dazu gehörenden Papieren geprüft und in Richtigkeit gefunden habe.

Achtungsvoll,

J. D. Schindel, W. G. Heller,
B. E. Kramlich, S. P. Sadtler,
F. W. Weiskotten, K. Bär,
E. L. Reed, Wm. Hauff.
A. L. Yount.

Vertagt mit Gebet von Pastor J. H. Fritz.

Siebente Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 18. Juni, ½9 Uhr Vorm.

Der Ehrw. S. E. Ochsenford leitete die Andacht.
Dr. J. A. Seiß verlas den

Bericht der Committee über den Präsidenten-Bericht.

Auf Ihre Committee haben die Thatsachen, welche von dem Präsidenten im Anfange seines jährlichen Berichts erwähnt werden, einen tiefen Eindruck gemacht. Eingedenk der Verantwortlichkeit, welche auf diesem Ministerium ruht, der Ungewißheit des menschlichen Lebens und der Wichtigkeit persönlicher Treue und Hingabe in unserer Arbeit während dieses Lebens empfiehlt Ihre Committee diesem Ministerium ehrerbietigst folgendes zur Annahme:

1. Beschlossen, Indem wir mit Dank zu Gott dem Allmächtigen aufblicken für Seine vielen Gnadenerweisungen gegen dieses Ministerium während seiner langen Geschichte und für die vielen edlen und würdigen Männer, welche so treu in der vergangenen Zeit gedient haben, legen wir hiermit Zeugniß von dem segensreichen Leben und den ausgezeichneten Dienstleistungen unserer theuren Brüder ab, welche während des vergangenen Jahres zu ihrer himmlischen Ruhe eingegangen sind, und zwar der Ehrw. J. R. S. Erb, Ehrw. Josua Jäger, Ehrw. B. M. Schmucker, D.D., Ehrw. H. J. Schmidt, D.D., und Ehrw. D. E. Reed. Zu gleicher Zeit erklären wir unserer feste Absicht, daß während wir den Verlust obiger Brüder beklagen, wir, so lange wir leben, unsern Eifer und Ernst im Dienste Christi mit erneuter Kraft bethätigen wollen.

2. Ferner Beschlossen, daß das Verfahren des Präsidenten in der Angelegenheit des Cyrill A. Droppa gebilligt und die betreffenden Papiere der Committee über Disciplin überwiesen werden.

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3. Beschlossen, daß die Empfehlung des Präsidenten mit Bezug auf die Angelegenheiten im Präsidenten-Bericht unter „Ein Ende nicht erreicht" gebilligt und angenommen werde; und demgemäß eine Committee mit voller konstitutioneller Macht ernannt werde, deren Pflicht es sein soll, diese ganze Angelegenheit im Präsidenten-Bericht sorgfältig und gründlich zu untersuchen, so weit es Personen, Handlungen und Publikationen in diesen Beschwerdeangelegenheiten betrifft, damit sie ihr Urtheil über alle hiermit verwickelten Einzelheiten formulire, um festzustellen, worin und gegen wen der Fehler und Tadel liegen. Dieses soll an den Präsidenten der Synode berichtet werden und damit zugleich die Art und Weise der Vorschläge, welche sie in so fern gefaßt hat, als was unter allen Umständen gemäß der Konstitution und den Nebengesetzen des Ministeriums geschehen sollte. Besagte Committee soll in allen Einzelheiten volle Macht und Ansehen haben, diese Angelegenheit zu einem gerechten, geeigneten und schließlichen Ende zu bringen; ferner die Zeit und den Platz der Versammlungen zu bestimmen, wie auch die Art und Weise der Prüfung und was sonst noch unserer Konstitution gemäß zu solch einer Untersuchung gehören mag.

4. Beschlossen, daß wir mit Freude und Dank vernehmen, daß der verstorbene Herr Charles Kuhns von Lehigh Co., Pa., einen Theil seines Nachlasses unserm theologischen Seminar vermacht hat; daß wir hierin ein dankbares Zeichen eines zunehmenden ernsten Sinnes für das öffentliche Wohl und Bedürfniß unserer Kirche erkennen; und daß wir dasselbe unsern Gliedern zur Nachahmung empfehlen, wenn sie ihre schließlichen Verfügungen über ihre irdischen Güter und Eigenthum treffen.

5. Beschlossen, daß wir von ganzem Herzen des Präsidenten Beileidsbezeugungen theilen betreffs der vielen Nothleidenden, veranlaßt durch die kürzlichen Fluthen in Johnstown und andern Plätzen innerhalb unseres Staates, Lock Haven und Williamsport mit eingeschlossen, und wodurch so viele mit uns in Synodalverbindung Stehende so schwer heimgesucht wurden; wir freuen uns aber und folgen der allgemeinen Bewegung, welche sich darin äußert, jeder möglichen Erleichterung in allen diesen Fällen die Hand zu bieten.

Ueber verschiedene andere Punkte im Präsidenten-Bericht ist vom Ministerium bereits verhandelt und auch darüber anderweitig verfügt worden. Ihre Committee hielt es daher nicht für nöthig, weitere Erwähnung davon hierin zu machen.

Hochachtungsvoll

J. A. Seiß, P. F. A. Glasow,
G. F. Spieker, Thomas B. Illig,
J. H. Gable, Georg Gaffert,
H. A. Fegley, Georg C. Baehm,
J. H. Reiman, P. B. Breinig,
Enoch Smith, Hiram Burdan.

Der Bericht wurde zur Erwägung entgegengenommen.

Bei der Annahme des ersten Punktes erhob sich die Synode.

No. 2. Angenommen.

No. 3. Angenommen und

Beschlossen, daß eine Committee aus 5 Geistlichen bestehend, vom Präsidenten ernannt werde, welche mit dieser Angelegenheit betraut werden soll.

No. 4 und No. 5. Angenommen.

Der Bericht wurde sodann als Ganzes angenommen.

Bericht der Committee über des Präsidenten Rechnungen.

Die Committee, welche ernannt war, des Präsidenten Rechnungen zu prüfen, berichtet achtungsvoll, daß sie die Rechnungen geprüft, mit den Belegen verglichen und in Richtigkeit gefunden habe.

F. F. Bürmeyer.
H. B. Strodach.

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Der Ehrw. Präsident verlas ein Schreiben von der deutschen evang.-luth. Zions-Gemeinde in Johnstown, Pa., in welcher dieselbe um Zusendung eines Predigers u. s. w. bittet.

Das Schreiben wurde an die Exekutiv-Committee verwiesen.

Dr. A. Späth verlas den

Bericht der Committee über die von dem Delegaten des New York-Ministeriums vorgelegten Punkte.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung entgegen- und in folgender Fassung schließlich als Ganzes angenommen:

Ihre Committee, an welche die von dem Delegaten des New Yorker Ministeriums vorgelegten Punkte verwiesen wurden, erlaubt sich Folgendes zu unterbreiten:

Erstens. Ueber das Predigen von Gliedern dieses Körpers auf den Kanzeln anderer Denominationen: Wo immer seit der Gründung des General-Concils solche Fälle vorgekommen sein mögen, so ist es nicht mit der Zustimmung noch auf Anordnung dieses Ministeriums geschehen. Dasselbe hat bis heute noch keine endgültige Beschlußnahme gefaßt über die Auslegung und Anwendung des Princips, das dieser ganzen Frage zu Grunde liegt, wie es in der Pittsburger Erklärung über Kirchen-Gemeinschaft ausgesprochen ist. Da nun gerade dieser Punkt bei der nächsten Versammlung des General-Concils zu eingehender Besprechung vorgelegt werden soll, so halten wir es für das beste, das Resultat dieser Besprechung abzuwarten, ehe wir weitere Schritte in dieser Sache thun.

Zweitens. Was die Grenzlinie betrifft, die zwischen den Ministerien von New York und Pennsylvanien arrangirt worden ist, so wissen wir von keiner Verletzung der im Jahr 1872 getroffenen Vereinbarung.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

A. Späth,
B. Sadtler.
J. J. Mohr.

Pastor J. Neff, Vorsitzer der Committee über Parochial-Berichte, berichtete die Namen derjenigen Pastoren, die noch keine Parochial-Berichte eingehändigt hatten, und wurde beauftragt, an diejenigen, welche ihrer Pflicht noch nicht nachgekommen sind, zu schreiben, um, wo möglich, von ihnen die fehlenden Berichte recht bald zu erhalten.

Pastor F. J. F. Schantz verlas den

Bericht der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich achtungsvoll zu berichten, daß die ganze im letzten Jahr für die wohlthätigen Zwecke der Synode erhobene Summe den Parochial-Berichten gemäß $20,816.81 betrug. Die Beiträge des vorhergehenden Jahres beliefen sich auf $18,382.43.

Tabelle No. II zeigt die Auflagen des verflossenen Jahres, die von den einzelnen Parochien einbezahlten Summen und auch die Auflagen für das Synodaljahr 1889—1890.

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Die für das neue Synodaljahr nöthigen Summen sind die folgenden:

Synodalzwecke	$ 4000.00
Erziehung	6500.00
Theologisches Seminar	3000.00
Mühlenberg-Kollegium	1000.00
Deutsche Professur im Mühlenberg-Kollegium	600.00
Einheimische Mission (Penna.-Synode) / Stadtmission (Philadelphia)	8000.00
Pastoren-Wittwen und -Waisen	1300.00
Heidenmission	3500.00
	$27,900.00

Die Committee,

F. J. F. Schantz, M. C. Horine,
D. F. Apple, H. N. Fegely
E. E. Sibole, A. P. Pflüger,
J. J. Creßman, Wm. Ashmead Schäffer.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Pastor O. P. Smith, Vorsitzer der Committee über die Beiträge von den Gemeinden für Einheimische Mission, berichtete, daß $5776.81 für englische und $1403.30 für deutsche einheimische Mission einbezahlt worden sei.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Nachdem Pastor Wm. Ashmead Schäffer die Sache der systematischen Wohlthätigkeit der ernstlichen Erwägung der Synode empfohlen hatte, wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Aufmerksamkeit der Committee für systematische Wohlthätigkeit auf den letztes Jahr gefaßten Synodal-Beschluß über „Synodal-auflagen" (Siehe S. 76 Verhandl. 1888) hiemit gelenkt werde.

Dieselbe Committee wurde wieder ernannt, mit Ausnahme von Pastor Wm. Ashmead Schäffer, welcher von fernerem Dienst in dieser Committee entschuldigt wurde.

Beschlossen, daß der Vorsitzer der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit hiemit beauftragt sei, den Pastoren und Gemeinden die ihnen zugetheilten Auflagen für Synode und General-Concil bekannt zu machen.

Hierauf Vertagung mit Gebet von Pastor J. C. Dizinger.

Achte Sitzung.

Dienstag, den 18. Juni, 2 Uhr Nach.

Pastor Ph. Pfatteicher leitete die Andacht.

Pastor E. A. Bauer unterbreitete den

Bericht der Committee über Disciplin.

1. Ihrer Committee lagen zwei Briefe vor, welche Pastor T. N. Ander an den Ehrw. Präsidenten des Ministeriums gerichtet hat. In dem einen erklärte er, daß er sich von seinem Gewissen gedrungen fühle, sein Predigtamt

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niederzulegen; in einem späteren erklärte er dem Präsidenten, daß er eine Stellung in der American Watch Case Co. von Philadelphia angenommen habe und fragt an, ob es ihm gestattet sei, nebenbei eine seiner Gemeinden fernerhin zu bedienen.

Bei Untersuchung dieser Angelegenheit wurden von Gliedern des Ministeriums Anschuldigungen erhoben, die auf den Lebenswandel des Herrn Ander dunkle Schatten werfen, und in Anbetracht dieser Umstände erlaubt sich Ihre Committee der ehrw. Synode vorzuschlagen: a) Die nachgesuchte Genehmigung zu versagen und b) nach Kap. 10 §§ 2 ꝛc. eine Untersuchung der Anklagen gegen Herrn Ander zu veranlassen und die erste Distrikts-Konferenz mit dieser Untersuchung zu beauftragen.

2. Gegen Pastor Cyrill Droppa, welcher in Luzerne County unter den Slovaken missionirte, sind schwere Anschuldigungen erhoben und von einer Untersuchungs-Committee der zweiten Distrikts-Konferenz als begründet erfunden worden, worauf der ehrw. Herr Ministerial-Präsident die Amtssuspension über Pastor Droppa verfügte. Da Herr Droppa seit dieser Zeit — Juni 1888 — eine Besserung seines anstößigen Wandels durchaus nicht kundgab, so erlaubt sich die Committee den Vorschlag zu machen: Den Pastor Cyrill Droppa seines Amtes als Prediger zu entsetzen und seinen Namen aus der Mitgliedsliste des Ministerii zu streichen.

E. A. Bauer.
H. Grahn.
Rud. Gerlach.

Der Bericht wurde zur Berathung entgegengenommen.
Punkte 1 und 2 wurden angenommen.
Der Bericht wurde sodann als Ganzes angenommen.
Betreffend die Suspension des Pastors J. W. Klingler wurde

Beschlossen, daß die Suspension von Pastor J. W. Klingler fortbestehe und diese Angelegenheit an die dritte Distrikts-Konferenz zur Untersuchung verwiesen werde.

Beschlossen, daß, im Fall diese Konferenz zu der Ueberzeugung kommt, daß Pastor Klingler wieder in sein Amt eingesetzt werden sollte, dieselbe an den Synodal-Präses berichte, welcher die Suspension aufheben soll.

Dr. Th. L. Seip stellte folgenden Antrag, welcher zum Beschluß erhoben wurde:

Da Clemmie L. Ulrich (später mit J. A. M. Nagle verehelicht) letzthin in Annville, Lebanon Co., Pa., wohnhaft, durch ihren letzten Willen ihren Testamentsvollzieher anwies, ein Stipendium (scholarship) im Mühlenberg-Kollegium zu stiften, welches bezeichnet werden soll als die „Clemmie L. Ulrich-Stiftung," und entweder dem Präsidenten oder dem Schatzmeister des „deutschen evang.-luth. Ministeriums von Pennsylvania" und ihren Nachfolgern zur Verwahrung, für die in ihrem Willen genannten Zwecke übergeben werden soll.

Und da durch Verordnung der Court of Common Pleas von Lebanon County, welche von dem Obergericht von Pennsylvanien bestätigt worden ist, die Summe von $808.40 für besagten Zweck zuerkannt wurde (weil besagte Hinterlassenschaft, aus Mangel an hinreichendem Nachlaß, die Vermächtnisse nicht in voll zahlte), deßhalb sei

Beschlossen, daß besagte Summe von $808.40 für den obengenannten Zweck von Herrn H. E. Fischer, dem Administrator und Trustee der Hinterlassenschaft der verstorbenen Clemmie L. Ulrich angenommen werde, und daß der Präsident oder Schatzmeister des Ministeriums angewiesen werde, an besagten H. E.

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Fischer, Administrator und Trustee, eine Verzichtleistungsurkunde (release) auszustellen und zu überreichen.

Pastor J. H. Kuder verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Konferenz-Verhandlungen.

Ihre Committee erlaubt sich, Folgendes zu berichten:

I. Versammlungen.

Sämmtliche Konferenzen hielten im vergangenen Jahre ihre halbjährigen Versammlungen.

II. Das neue Seminar.

Alle Konferenzen, ausgenommen die deutsche, berichten über das neue Seminar-Gebäude und haben die mit ihren Beiträgen noch im Rückstand befindlichen Pastoren ernstlich ersucht, dieselben im vollen Umfange zu kollektiren und an den Agenten für dieses so wichtige Werk baldmöglichst abzuführen.

III. Mühlenberg-College.

Die Distrikts-Konferenzen hatten die Sache des Mühlenberg-Kollegiums unter Erwägung. Sie haben mit großer Freude von dem Erfolg gehört, welcher die Bemühungen des Finanz-Agenten zur Tilgung der Schuld begleitete, und ermunterten ihn auch das gute Werk fortzuführen.

IV. Angelegenheiten von den Konferenzen an die Synode überwiesen.

Die folgende Bitte wird von der deutschen Konferenz vor diesen Körper gelegt: Das Ministerium möge gestatten, daß die deutsche Konferenz das Recht habe, neu gegründete oder mit dem Ministerium noch nicht verbundene Gemeinden, die aber ihren Zutritt zur deutschen Konferenz beschließen und um Aufnahme in das Ministerium während des Synodaljahres nachsuchen, nach vorschriftsmäßiger Prüfung ihres Gesuches aufzunehmen, wie die Synodal-Konstitution in Kapitel 2, Abtheilung 3, Punkt 15, dies den übrigen Distrikts-Konferenzen unserer Synoden gewährleistet.

V.

Die 4. Konferenz berichtet, daß die von der Synode an sie überwiesene Angelegenheit, die Amtsniederlegung Pastor Shoffners, an der St. Johannis-Gemeinde zu Columbia, befriedigend beigelegt ist.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen.

In Bezug auf die unter Nr. IV enthaltene Bitte, seitens der deutschen Konferenz, erklärte der ehrw. Präsident der Synode, daß diese Bitte, unserer Synodal-Ordnung gemäß, nicht gewährt werden kann.

Der Bericht wurde sodann als Ganzes angenommen.

Ein Gesuch von Pastor Heinrich Offermann, der deutschen Konferenz zugetheilt zu werden, wurde gewährt.

Pastor J. W. Early unterbreitete den

Bericht des Statistikers.

Ihr Statistiker erlaubt sich folgendes hochachtungsvoll zu berichten:

Die von ihm bei der letzten Synodal-Versammlung vorgeschlagenen Veränderungen in den „Tabellen" wurden von den Sekretären ausgeführt und

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scheinen befriedigend zu sein. Doch ist der Statistiker davon völlig überzeugt, daß durch eine gänzliche Umarbeitung oder Umgestaltung der Tabellen sowohl wie der Formulare, nach welchem die Parochial-Berichte gemacht werden, eine bedeutende Verbesserung erzielt werden könnte. Der Statistiker beantragt die Ernennung einer Committee, welche ihn bei der Ausführung solcher Verbesserungen unterstützt.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen und als Committee ernannt die Pastoren S. E. Ochsenford, A. L. Yount und Herr T. H. Diehl.

Pastor J. L. Becker verlas den

Bericht der Committee über Entschuldigungen.

Ihre Committee über Entschuldigungen berichtet achtungsvoll, daß demselben genügende Entschuldigungsschreiben von folgenden Brüdern eingereicht wurden, in welchen Schreiben die Gründe ihrer Abwesenheit von der Synodalversammlung angegeben waren. Für gänzliche Abwesenheit entschuldigten sich: Ehrw. W. J. Mann, D.D. LL. D., D. M. Martens, H. Weickfel, J. A. Hufford, O. D. Bartholomew, H. H. Rippe, Carl L. Erle, J. Heck, J. M. Hantz, J. C. Schmidt, A. J. Weddell, John W. Rumple, G. A. Struntz, B. H. Warnke, W. Wackernagel, D.D., A. Martin, D.D., W. Rieb, J. H. Stump, C. F. Welden, D.D., Wm. Rath, O. Leopold, Geo. J. Schäffer, Dr. Herm. V. Hilprecht, D. K. Humbert, und F. F. Bürmeyer.

Folgende aus verschiedenen und genügenden Gründen wünschen für theilweise Abwesenheit entschuldigt zu sein: Ehrw. D. M. Stetler, J. O. McAtee, C. K. Binder, J. L. German, J. Darmstätter, C. E. Sandt, W. B. Fox, J. R. Shoffner, F. K. Bernd, J. C. Gräpp, C. A. Gräpp, U. J. Klingensmith, J. A. Darmstätter, J. Niemann, E. L. Reed, E. A. Yehl, J. Neff, P. F. A. Glasow, R. Hill, A. Cordes, G. W. Sandt, A. C. Wuchter, E. R. Cassaday, Rudolph Gerlach, J. H. Schmidt, B. Sadtler, D.D., D. Sanner, Geo. Yount, A. Walter. Die Abgeordneten: Peter Steiner, Elias Shaffer, Thos. Stoneback, Owen Harter, J. L. Kramer, A. B. Walp, H. C. Detweiler, Sam. Goodman, J. B. Esser, J. R. Hunsicker, Henry Hemsath, P. B. Breinig, D. H. Straub.

Wir empfehlen, daß sie entschuldigt werden.

Achtungsvoll,

Die Committee,

James L. Becker,
Wm. A. C. Müller,
John K. Hunsicker,
M. Mehrkam,
J. H. Kuder.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Der Ehrw. Dr. A. Späth verlas den

Bericht der Committee über die Anfrage des Kirchenraths der Evang.-Luth. Zions-Gemeinde in Philadelphia.

Das Dokument, das Ihrer Committee eingehändigt wurde, enthält eine Anfrage, welche auf Beschluß des Kirchenraths der Zionsgemeinde in Philadelphia von der Synode sich eine Antwort darüber erbittet, wer eigentlich

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unter der Rubrik „Confirmierte Glieder" in den Tabellen unserer Parochial-Berichte mitzuzählen sei, ob es nur die als Stuhlhalter eingeschriebenen und communicirenden Glieder seien, oder ob darunter sämmtliche confirmirten jungen Leute, die sich zur Kirche und zum Sacrament halten, einzuschließen seien.

Als Antwort auf diese Frage soll folgende Erklärung dienen: Die confirmirten Glieder der Gemeinde sind alle diejenigen Glieder, welche in die volle Gemeinschaft der Kirche aufgenommen sind, sei es durch Confirmation, Taufe der Erwachsenen, oder Uebertragung von andern Gemeinden, so lange sie nicht gestorben, entlassen oder von der Liste gestrichen sind, weil sie ihren Pflichten nicht nachkommen.

Achtungsvollst unterbreitet,

A. Späth,
L. Groh,
Daniel Sauner.

Der Bericht wurde angenommen.

Die Committee, welche ernannt war, den Statistiker in seiner Arbeit zu unterstützen, wurde angewiesen, bei der nächsten Versammlung einen Plan zu unterbreiten, nach welchem die Kirchenbücher in den Gemeinden genauer und gleichmäßiger geführt werden können.

Herrn Pastor W. A. Passavant, jr., Superintendent des englischen einheimischen Missionswerkes des General-Concils wurde Gelegenheit gegeben, der Synode das Interesse der englischen einheimischen Mission ans Herz zu legen.

Ihm folgend, lenkte Pastor Wm. Ashmead Schäffer, Sekretär der Heidenmissions-Committee, die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf das Werk der Heidenmission.

Hierauf wurde

Beschlossen, daß wir mit herzlicher Theilnahme die Ansprachen der Brüder Ehrw. Wm. A. Passavant, jr, Superintendent des englischen einheimischen Missionswerkes, und Wm. Ashmead Schäffer, Sekretär der Heidenmissions-Committee, gehört haben, und daß wir den Herrn um Seinen reichen Segen für das Werk dieser Committee bitten und dafür einstehen, an diesem Werke immer treuer und ausdauernder mit zu arbeiten.

Beschlossen, daß die Committee für Ordinationsscheine angewiesen werde, Scheine in einfacher Form verfertigen zu lassen.

Beschlossen, daß eine Committee ernannt werde, um das System, nach welchem gegenwärtig unsere Wahlen gehalten werden, in Erwägung zu ziehen und so bald als möglich bei der nächsten Synodalversammlung einen besseren Plan vorzulegen.

Als Committee wurden ernannt, die Pastoren Wm. Ashmead Schäffer, E. E. Sibole, C. L. Fry und die Laien Wm. H. Staake, Esq., und James H. Wolfe, Esq.

Beschlossen, daß in Anerkennung der werthvollen Dienste, welcher der verstorbene Dr. B. M. Schmucker bei der Ausarbeitung des englischen Kirchenbuchs geleistet hat, dessen Wittwe die Summe von $500 aus dem englischen Kirchenbuch-Fond ausbezahlt werde.

Der Ehrw. Präsident ernannte dieselbe Examinations-Committee wieder mit Hinzufügung des Ehrw. Dr. S. Laird.

Der Ehrw. B. W. Schmauk lenkte die Aufmerksamkeit der Synode auf eine luth. Mission in Florida.

Den Pastoren und Gliedern der Salems-Gemeinde wurde für die erwiesene Gastfreundschaft der herzliche Dank ausgesprochen.

Eine Einladung von den luth. Gemeinden in Bethlehem, Pa., wurde angenommen und

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Beschlossen, die nächste Versammlung der Synode in der evang.-luth. Salems-Kirche zu Bethlehem, Pa., zu halten

Die Sekretäre wurden beauftragt, die nöthige Anzahl der Verhandlungen in deutscher und englischer Sprache drucken zu lassen.

Das Protokoll der vorhergehenden Sitzung wurde bei jeder Sitzung und das der letzten bei dieser Sitzung verlesen und angenommen.

Um 6 Uhr Nachmittags vertagte sich die Synode und wurde nach dem Formular in der Agende und mit Gesang aus dem Liede „Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott" beschlossen.

L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Sekretär.

Lebanon, Pa., den 18. Juni 1889.

2. Ministerial-Geschäfte.

Salems-Kirche, Lebanon, Pa.

Freitag, den 14. Juni 1889, Vorm. 11 Uhr.

Gebet von Ehrw. F. Walz.

Der Ehrw. Dr. G. F. Spieker unterbreitete den

Bericht der Examinations-Committee.

Ihre Committee berichtet achtungsvoll, daß ein Colloquium mit folgenden ordinirten Predigern gehalten wurde, welche sämmtlich zur Aufnahme in das Ministerium empfohlen werden:

Ehrw. Andreas J. Heißler vom New York-Ministerium.
" Johann J. Heißler vom New York-Ministerium.
" Johann J. D. McAtee von der Ost-Pennsylvania-Synode.
" Oswin F. Waage von der Ost-Pennsylvania-Synode.
" August Cordes aus Sachsen, Deutschland.
" Waldemar R. M. Oefer von der Immanuel-Synode.
" Carl A. Gräpp von dem New York-Ministerium.

Folgende Kandidaten wurden vorschriftmäßig in den verschiedenen theologischen Fächern geprüft und werden hiermit dem Ministerium zur Ordination empfohlen:

1. Carl Friedrich August Bast aus Pommern, Deutschland.
2. Siegmund Rudolph Georg von Bosse aus Helmstädt, Deutschland.
3. Adolph Ernst Rupert Collmann aus Ueden, Deutschland.
4. Albert Claudius Delfs aus Schleswig, Deutschland.
5. Carl Wilhelm Jeffries von Germantown, Pa.
6. Edwin Franz Keever von Reading, Pa.
7. Ernst Theodor Kretschman von Germantown, Pa.
8. Carl Baras Lindtwet von Springfield, Ills.
9. Acestes Grant Loder von Philadelphia, Pa.
10. James Clark Neff Park von Wythe Co., Va.

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11. Fritz Heinrich Offermann aus Hannover, Deutschland.
12. Dettmar Luther Passavant von Pittsburg, Pa.
13. Wilhelm Ernst Roney von South Easton, Pa.
14. Nelson Friedrich Schmidt von Freeland, Pa.
15. Willard L. Smith von Bethlehem, Pa.
16. Johann Heinrich Waidelich von Steinsville, Pa.
17. Heinrich Wilhelm Warmkessel von Maxatawny, Berks Co., Pa.
18. Harvey Americus Weller von Trexlertown, Pa.

Achtungsvoll unterbreitet

G. F. Spieker, Sekretär.

Der Bericht wurde entgegengenommen und über die Aufnahme, resp. Ordination jedes einzelnen Applikanten besonders abgestimmt.

Die im Bericht vorgeschlagenen ordinirten Geistlichen, wurden durch einstimmigen Beschluß der Synode zur Aufnahme empfohlen.

Desgleichen wurde die Empfehlung der Committee in Bezug auf die Kandidaten gutgeheißen und deren Ordination durch Abstimmung über jeden Einzelnen beschlossen.

Vertagt. Gebet von Pastor R. Gerlach.

L. Lindenstruth, deutscher Sekretär.

Lebanon, Pa., den 14. Juni 1889.

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Tabelle No. 1.

Parochial-Berichte für das am Pfingstsonntag 1889 endigende Jahr.

Pastoren.	Gemeinde.			Zuwachs.			Taufen.		Verlust.			Parochial-Schulen.		Sonntag-Schulen.					
	Anzahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Erwachsene.	Kinder.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Andres, W. J.	4	650	518	.....	.....	.....	.....	64	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	65	600
„ Anspach, J. M.	1	311	268	16	5	1	.....	16	5	9	7	.....	.....	1	32	300	.....	.....	.....
„ Apple, B. F. (1)	1	234	222	12	8	3	2	43	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	25	235	.....	.....	.....
„ Bartholomew, D. D.	5	900	740	65	12	3	2	98	17	15	.....	.....	.....	3	24	325	5	31	325
„ Bauer, E. A.	1	700	600	68	.....	.....	.....	167	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	55	550	.....	.....	.....
„ Becker, J. L.	2	389	348	14	17	.....	15	15	3	2	.....	.....	.....	1	13	120	.....	.....	.....
„ Bender, F. P.	1	1050	883	123	.....	21	3	272	13	.....	.....	1	45	1	83	1000	.....	.....	.....
„ Berkemeyer, F.	2	400	386	11	4	.....	2	11	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Bernd, F. K.	2	626	478	7	.....	1	.....	32	9	24	.....	.....	.....	1	14	120	4	.....	350
„ Bernheim, G. D., D. D.	1	226	134	9	2	.....	1	32	.....	4	1	.....	.....	1	36	285	.....	.....	.....
„ Bickel, J. L.	3	133	94	7	10	3	.....	20	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	3	36	400	.....	.....	.....
„ Bieber, J. W.	2	1130	886	28	.....	.....	.....	36	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	70	672
„ Bieber, W. J.	3	610	350	18	2	1	.....	49	18	1	.....	.....	.....	1	15	72	2	.....	.....
„ Binder, C. K.	1	159	95	12	9	3	2	12	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	23	170	.....	.....	.....
„ Breinig, A. J. L.	3	448	338	12	.....	2	.....	24	6	1	.....	.....	.....	1	15	90	2	38	320
„ Brownmiller, E. S. (2) { Ephrata	5	875	710	30	.....	.....	7	23	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Brownmiller, E. S. (2) { Oley	4	.....	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Bruning, H. H.	1	220	187	10	2	2	.....	32	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	1	23	160	.....	.....	.....
„ Bürmeyer, F. F.*)	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

*) Kein Bericht.

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Ehrw. Cassaday, E. R.	1	188	140	18	4	2	2	36	5	12				1	18	295			
" Coleman, D. L.	1	210	175	8	20			23	2	3				1	18	125			
" Creßman, J. J.	3	665	620	45	15	34			11	30							3	50	580
" Darmstätter, J.	1	250	205	12	20	5	4	12	5					1	20	175			
" Darmstätter, J. A.	2	300	246	12	5			36	6	6				2	17	145			
" Deck, J. P.	1	351	302	12	18	3	2	30	6	13				1	30	263			
" Dizinger, J. C.	1	450	296	15	10			84	14	2		1	40	1	28	250			
" Drumheller, C. K.	1	261	217	13	12	1	3	16	1	2	2			1	21	190			
" Early, J. W. (3)	1	80						6	2					1	7	45			
" Erb, J. S.	2	535	495	52	20	5		34	5	8				2	42	350	4	20	225
" Erdman, A. E.	4	580	420	36	3		1	35	7	4				1	14	100	5	58	578
" Fealey, H. R.	2	286	248	9	10		3	12	6	15	1			2	30	290			
" Fegley, H. S.	5	800	636	34				41	28								7	48	365
" Finfrock, A.	4	1288	907	42				73	20	17								105	820
" Fluck, F. J. C.	1	315	279	24	15	5	3	52	4	21				1	34	347			
" Fogelman, D. L.	4	380	343	32	7	3	5	28	5	6				2	24	135	2	20	115
" Foust, Geo. D.	1	182	163	9	7	1	8	6	3	10				1	14	150			
" Foust, J. J.	1	98	86	17	23	3		11	3	5				1	10	85			
" Fox, J. B.	4	1015	875	59	5	7		94	9	1							9	135	885
" Fox, W. B.	4	1200	1025	60	10	4	2	74	23	8				1	28	201	5	80	875
" Francis, S. A. K.	1	460	320	48	8	7	5	90	2	2				1	32	400			
" Fry, C. L.	1	900	792	47	2	3	12	55	30	10				1	60	540			
" Fry, J. D. D.	1	1300	925	54	20	5	5	48	21	10				4	100	1100			
" Gabel, J. H.	6	1425	1100	41	1		3	147	13	2				2	25	300	8		
" Gardner, G. C. (4)	1	644	322	24	82	2	1	63	11	30				1	35	275			
" Gardner, G. F.	1	211	202	33	12			57	9	33	3			1	33	260			
" Gauker, J. W.	3	340	308	12	1		3	20	10	3							3	49	282
" Geiger, W. H.	4	519	398	20	2			34	12	7				2	29	147	3	41	275
" Geissinger, D. H.	1	692	450	38	8	5	3	38	9	12				1	53	513			
" Gerhart, E. H.	1	55	50	5	44	6		14		2				1	12	126			
" Gerlach, R.	1	1000	900	51		4	2	131	45	8	9	1	50	2	37	350			
" German, J. P.	7	577	492	56			1	45	13	16				3	25	200	3	27	279
" Geschwind, L. H.	1	167	134	15	13	2	1	10	1	17				1	23	184			
" Gieß, H.	4	575	513	22	2		2	53	12					1	18	100	4	42	320
" Glasow, P. F. A.	1	400	295	8	2			21	8					1	43	185			
" Gräpp, C. A.	2	110	52	9	3			23				1	40	1	16	75			

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	Angahl der Gemeinden.	Confirmirte Glieder.	Communicanten-zahl.	Durch Confirmation.	Von lutherischen Gemeinden.	Von andern Gemeinden.	Erwachsene.	Kinder.	Durch den Tod.	Durch Wegzug od. sonst. Abgang	Durch Ausschluß.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Lutherische.	Lehrer.	Schüler.	Andere.	Lehrer.	Schüler.
Ehrw. Gräpp, J. C.	1	73	66	12	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	1	7	49	.....	.....	.....
„ Grahn, H.	1	650	636	50	.....	.....	.....	178	12	.....	.....	2	131	2	40	380	.....	.....	.....
„ Groh, L.	1	815	680	38	15	1	2	65	15	35	.....	.....	.....	1	35	350	5	60	300
„ Gruhler, J.	1	220	170	19	5	.....	.....	37	2	23	.....	.....	.....	1	20	120	.....	.....	.....
„ Günsch, G. F. W.	1	300	300	8	.....	.....	.....	29	6	1	.....	.....	.....	1	28	150	.....	.....	.....
„ Haßler, J. W.	1	241	170	3	.....	.....	4	4	6	4	.....	.....	.....	1	21	150	.....	.....	.....
„ Haupt, C. E.	1	456	356	46	13	2	15	159	8	2	.....	2	25	2	60	585	.....	.....	.....
„ Heilig, Th. { Smithfield Paroch	2	205	140	9	.....	.....	4	13	3	14	.....	.....	.....	2	17	125	.....	.....	.....
„ Heilig, Th. { Gouldsboro Miss.	2	40	30	7	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	2	10	60	.....	.....	.....
„ Heilman, U. P.	3	720	620	47	.....	.....	.....	44	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	86	800
„ Heißler, A. J.	2	135	179	.....	6	.....	.....	10	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	12	60	.....	.....	.....
„ Hellwege, H. F. A. (5)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Hemsath, C. H.	1	299	213	14	15	5	2	17	.....	6	1	.....	.....	1	35	209	.....	.....	.....
„ Henkel, D. M., D. D.	1	71	65	4	.....	6	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	60	.....	.....	.....
„ Henry, S. S.	5	380	256	20	6	.....	1	49	7	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	55	250
„ Hillpot, J. (6) { Stone Valley	5	170	151	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Hillpot, J. (6) { Walmers	3	397	293	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	40	500
„ Hinterleitner, G. A., D. D.	1	518	467	26	15	.....	.....	65	13	19	.....	.....	.....	1	36	300	.....	.....	.....
„ Hirzel, C. J.	1	129	106	10	4	1	5	19	5	2	.....	.....	.....	1	15	122	.....	.....	.....
„ Horine, M. C.	1	590	436	26	7	.....	.....	43	.....	8	9	.....	.....	2	45	540	.....	.....	.....
„ Horne, A. R., D. D.	4	1388	995	123	4	2	1	78	22	45	.....	.....	.....	1	16	140	8	82	800
„ Humbert, D. K.	6	1805	1650	47	.....	.....	.....	170	35	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	80	850

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Ehrw.	Huntzinger, F. K.	3	1100	1050	151			7	248	35	20				1	38	700	3	25	300
„	Isenschmid, P., M. D.	1	200	200	23	6			55	4	5				1	20	200			
„	Jacobs, H. E., D. D.								3											
„	Jelden, F.	1	65	96	6	8			22	1	3				1	17	75			
„	Keiter, W. D. C.	2	341	270	34	29	6		24	9					1	21	219	1	25	108
„	Kepner, D. K.	1	1300	1204	60	61	2	4	111	29	10				1	56	944	3	17	120
„	Kline, J. J.	3	844	683	58	12	4	6	69	15	20				2	36	376	1	16	173
„	Klingensmith, U. J.	1	137	119	2	1	1	3	6	1	5				1	12	72			
„	Kohler, J.	1	190	210	10	2			9	3					1	10	60			
„	Kramlich, B. E.	6	1300	1130	70				81	48					1	10	130	7	65	600
„	Kramlich, M. J.	1	70	60	19			1	16									1	15	100
„	Krotel, G. F., D. D., LL. D.	1	818		31	14	3		40	9	4				1	35	264			
„	Kuder, J. H.	1	442	372	28	25	2		35	6	14				1	37	419			
„	Kühn, Conrad	1	*600	624	38	24			76	20		5	1	40	1	20	350			
„	Kündig, J. J. (5)	1	1200	1100	66	30			113	45	2		3	160	2	65	800			
„	Kunkel, G. G.	3	280	188	10	7	1		50	1	3				3	32	176			
„	Kuntz, D.	3	925	865	56	5	2	1	29	20	2							4	25	325
„	Kuntz, J. J.	5	818	625	58	1	1	2	81	15	5							7	25	300
„	Laird, S., D. D.	1	600		18	16	3	4	18	9	5				1	48	311			
„	Lauer, W. C. L. (7) { Frackville	1	209	188	27	4		4	44	4					1	30	197			
	{ Millersville	3	250	166		5	1		3						1	15	74			
„	Lazarus, J. W.	4	775	657	41	9	3	7	80	11	3				1	20	147	3	40	410
„	Leibensperger, J. D.	1	156	126		4	2		24	10	2				1	21	150			
„	Lenker M. B.	3	408	290	47	6	2		70	6	10				1	15	96	1	12	150
„	Leopold D.	5	784	750	38				50	28	6				1	15	95	5	50	600
„	Lindenstruth, L.	2	554	441	39	12			45	3	4				3	75	410			
„	Linsz, A.	1	200	180	20	12			66	6	8				1	18	250			
„	Long, A. J.	6	1050	930	54	8		2	53	33					2	25	225	8	65	700
„	Lynch, R. B.	2	650	520		6	2		13	9	2							4	70	900
„	Markley, A. B.	3	360	335	13		1	3	15	8					2	55	250	1	12	100
„	Mayne, J. W. (8)	1	809	500	30	20	3	1	63	9	9				1	33	543	2	20	300
„	Mayser, F. P.	1	1040	590	34	16		2	38	11	50	10			1	52	360			
„	McAtee, J. D.	1	56	56	7	21	6		13	1	6				1	11	81			
„	Mehrkam, A. M.	1	175	136	32	9	4	5	31	3	4				1	30	268			
„	Meyer, J. H. { Mahanoy City	1	200	150					43	7					1	10	100			
	{ Steelton	1	125	212					30						1		125			

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Ehrw. Miller, E. L.	1	172	155	14	44	6	3	16	1					1	19	152			
„ Miller, O. D.	5	1074	950	38	8	3		97	33	2				2	56	490	6	45	460
„ Müller, G. Ph.	1	146	101	3	3			19	4	7	2			1	19	150			
„ Müller, W. A. C.	2	571	397	28	7			26	19	2				2	67	350			
„ Myers, W. H.	1	650	530	76	40	38	7	37	4	3				1	27	450			
„ Neff, J.	2	336	245	3	17		2	20	7	4				2	54	347			
„ Neiman, J. H. (9)	3	600	466	26	3		5	50	8	2				2	20	200			
„ Nidecker, J. E.	1	*800	750	101	17			190	20	14		3	78	1	70	900			
„ Niemann, J.	1	130	191	13	7	5	4	31	11	4				1	15	130			
„ Ochsenford, S. E.	3	686	464	41	12		1	22	3	1				1	15	154	2	21	170
„ Oeser, W. A. M.	1	90	162	14				36	9			1	42	1	19	200			
„ Ohl, J. F.	3	858	693	51	27	3	9	50	13	31				1	29	213	1	14	79
„ Peters, Hiram	1	424	345	30	15	3	11	19	3	6	1			1	41	321			
„ Pfatteicher, Ph.	1	400	450	52	8			48	35	6				1	29	400			
„ Pflüger, A. P.	2	827	508	23	1	1	3	48	5	5				2	28	306			
„ Pflüger, O. E.	5	500	375	16			1	26	7	5				1	10	49	2	41	290
„ Pfuhl, J. G.	1	430	385	31	20			34	15	40				1	25	300			
„ Pohle, E. H.	1	180	178	17	7	11	1	51	2	7				1	22	175			
„ Rath, M. D. } „ Rath, Wm. }	4	890	695	43	4			33	30	5				1	15	128	2	50	400
„ Reed, E. L.	1	295	208	20	13	5	2	32	6	5				1	30	345			
„ Reiter, D. H.	4	1000	900	9	21	3		60	16	10							3	62	450

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Ehrw.	Reitz, J. J.	2	500	390	5	2			40	15							7	76	450
„	Renninger, J. S.	1	65	49	8			1						1	24	127			
„	Repaß, S. A., D. D.	1	570	466	21	22	3		25	11	3			2	78	740			
„	Rieb, W.	1	600	582	66	4	25	4	168	35			1	100	1	25	400			
„	Rippe, H. H.*)	2																		
„	Röder, R. D.	1	173	149	14	6		3	12	1	4				1	26	247			
„	Sadtler, W. A.	1	67	60	9	53	5	1	10	1					1	13	117			
„	Sandt, C. E.	3	804	649	34	16	16	2	53	25	27				1	22	167	2	36	480
„	Sandt, Geo. W.	4	500	362	46	23	1		41	12	2		1	34	1	9	90	5	34	400
„	Sanner, D.	3	460	365	16	8		2	57	20	3	11			1	23	150	1	5	50
„	Schäffer, Wm Ashmead (10)	1	224	185	9	23	1	1	19	1	7				2	28	253			
„	Schäffer, Geo. J.	5	120	85	4	2	2	3	9		1							3	40	175
„	Schantz, F. J. F.	2	539	435	21	10			36	11	12				2	40	276			
„	Schimpf, M.	1	125	89	4				24	4					1	12	90			
„	Schindel, J. D.	4	875	790	33	7	5		119	19	18				1	18	225	7	75	750
„	Schlenker, J. D.	3	700	643	76	17	9	2	73	9					1	35	335	5	50	409
„	Schmauk, B. W. } Schmauk, T. E. }	2	1280	743	52	33		3	109	9	16				4	151	1178			
„	Schmidt, J. C.	1	140	130	8				7	6										
„	Schmidt, J. H.	3		210	32	8			55	8	38				1	18	156			
„	Schöner, W. F.	2	732	541	26	47	11	2	68	11	52	10			2	65	529			
„	Seaman, G. S.	1	230	184	25	2	1	12	15	6	4				1	24	170			
„	Seiß, J. A., D. D., LL. D.	1	312	250	8	5		2	4	9					1	22	170			
„	Semmel, H. E.	3	400	340	29			18	14	7					2	20	200	1	12	100
„	Sibole, E. E.	1	271	200	8	1		5	9	9	6	9			1	33	286			
„	Sibole, J. L.	1	620	545	51	39	2	11	63	8	18	27			1	69	822			
„	Smith, Enoch	1	568	508	37	27	2		20	6	91				1	47	332			
„	Smith, O. P. (11) { Trappe, Verklärungs, Pottstown }	3	1000	800	36	2		14	22	8	5				3	40	425			
		1	250	135		10			5	5	2				1	26	150			
„	Smoll, B. S.	3	680	600	59		45			9								8	80	700
„	Smoll, E. H.	3	690	631	30	3			69	30	10							5	75	600
„	Späth, Prof. A., D. D.*)	1																		
„	Spieker, G. F., D. D.	1	997	800	38	59			55	9	3				1	56	650			
„	Stetler, D. M.	6	569	518	15	35		2	35	10	10				2	22	130	5	74	363
„	Strauß, W. H.	4	1600	850	49	4			55	23	6									

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Ehrw. Strodach, H. B. (12)	1	800	711	54	25	.....	1	71	.....	.....	.....	3	150	2	85	1200	.....	.....	.....
„ Strunz, G. A.	3	355	272	25	11	.....	.....	30	5	1	.....	.....	.....	2	30	170	.....	.....	.....
„ Stump, Jos.	1	29	.....	16	.....	.....	2	4	1	12	.....	.....	.....	1	8	30	.....	.....	.....
„ Stupp, S. B. (13)	1	200	150	9	20	2	2	6	6	20	.....	1	60	1	20	200	.....	.....	.....
„ Tregler, D. D.	4	500	450	40	.....	.....	.....	46	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	50	350
„ Umbenhen, J. H.	1	113	95	10	1	2	3	5	2	5	.....	.....	.....	1	16	115	.....	.....	.....
„ Upp, J. D.	1	356	221	19	5	1	2	42	4	10	.....	.....	.....	1	27	237	.....	.....	.....
„ Waage, D. F.	2	1085	960	40	18	.....	.....	55	10	10	.....	.....	.....	2	50	550	.....	.....	.....
„ Wackernagel, W. D.D. (14)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	150	.....	.....	.....
„ Walter, A. W.	1	277	179	12	12	3	.....	29	2	10	.....	.....	.....	1	26	300	.....	.....	.....
„ Walz, F. (15)	3	1030	1000	57	4	.....	6	56	19	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Wampole, J. F.	6	1075	704	32	10	2	.....	70	12	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	90	1200
„ Weickfel, H.	5	733	549	18	.....	.....	1	46	17	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	60	320
„ Weickfel, W.	3	200	185	17	4	3	.....	36	5	9	.....	1	24	1	7	50	3	28	200
„ Weigand, H.	2	170	180	23	5	30	.....	50	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	2	35	400	.....	.....	.....
„ Weiskotten, F. W.	1	*900	850	72	44	6	2	189	9	.....	.....	2	125	1	*90	*800	.....	.....	.....
„ Welder, B. G.	5	880	725	62	4	2	22	78	28	8	.....	.....	.....	3	30	200	2	25	260
„ Wendel, J. H. R.	1	200	162	9	11	.....	.....	22	1	1	.....	1	60	1	14	100	.....	.....	.....
„ Wenrich, S.	3	330	225	14	.....	.....	1	33	4	1	.....	.....	.....	2	14	160	.....	.....	.....
„ Wischan, F. (16)	1	500	500	56	8	4	2	110	55	15	.....	4	240	1	140	750	.....	.....	.....
„ Wisser, P. P.	2	300	214	.....	23	2	.....	39	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	125	1	15	122
„ Wuchter, A. C.	1	*140	80	6	.....	.....	.....	24	2	3	.....	.....	.....	1	13	100	.....	.....	.....

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Ehrw. Pehl, E. A.	3	900	724	36	30	3	2	54	16	3							90	900
„ Yount, A. L.	1	418	350	44	42	5	6	54		8			1	20	225			
„ Zentner, J.	1	290	285		1			37	5	1			1	15	150			
„ Ziegenfuß, S. A.	2	614	497	28	22	5		25	8	28			1	34	221	4	90	577
„ Zimmerman, R. M.	1	212	180	1	20			13	2	26			1	37	336			
„ Zizelmann, P.	1	460	440	30	18			102	12				1	25	340			
„ Zweizig, B. D.	8	1960	1800	145			2	280	55							8	120	950
Centre Square (17)	1	145	100										1	15	120			
Chestnut Hill, Monroe Co. (vakant)	4	*744	*630										*3	*24	*300			
Cogan Station (vakant)	1	*127	*100						3				1	20	150			
Epiphany, Manayunk (vakant)	1																	
Orwigsburg (18)	5	540	375					5	8				1	31	325	4	30	350
Sellersville Pfarrbezirk (19)	2	775	625		6	3		41	16	10						1	24	225
St. Markus, S. Bethlehem (vakant)	1	65	45		65	2							1	20	96			
Trinity, Chester (vakant)	1																	

Anmerkungen zu der Tabelle No. 1.

(1) Hat eine Zweigsonntagschule in Ost Bangor, welche 60 Personen zählt, einschließlich Beamten, Lehrer und Schüler.
(2) Der Bericht für Ephrata ist für 4 Monate, für Oley für 3 Monate.
(3) Seit 1887 sind die Kirchenbücher so unregelmäßig geführt worden, daß es unmöglich ist, die Kommunikanten genau anzugeben. Der jetzige Pastor bedient die Stelle erst seit 8 Wochen.
(4) Viermal im Jahr findet Kindergottesdienst statt.
(5) Die PP. Kündig und Hellwege berichten zusammen.
(6) Der Pastor bediente die Stone Valley Parochie 10 Monate, die Walmers Parochie 2 Monate.
(7) Bericht für Millersville seit dem 1. Mai 1889.
(8) Hält englische Kinderlehre: vom Oktober bis Januar; deutsche von Januar bis Ostern.
(9) Die Zahl der konfirmirten Glieder ist dieses Jahr etwas geringer als im vorigen, da sich etliche wegen Schwierigkeiten, verursacht durch den Bau von luth. Kirchen an Stelle der gemeinschaftlichen, den Reformirten anschlossen.
(10) Die St. Stephans-Gemeinde unterhält eine Mission an der 46. Straße und Woodland Ave.
(11) Die Trappe Parochie früher bestehend aus den Gemeinden zu Trappe, Limerick und Schwenksville — ist im letzten Jahr getheilt worden, so daß nun die Trappe Gemeinde eine, und die Gemeinden zu Schwenksville und Limerick eine andere Pfarrstelle bilden. Erstere hat Pastor E. T. Kretschman, letztere Pastor N. F. Schmidt erwählt.
(12) Die Gemeinde gehört nicht zur Synode. — (13) Bericht für 6 Monate. — (14) Die luth. Stephanus-Sonntagschule wurde vom Missions-Verein des Mühlenberg Kollegiums organisiert. — (15) Hält Kinderlehre. — (16) Nur solche sind unter „Confirmirte Glieder" berichtet, welche ihren Kirchen-Beitrag bezahlten. — (17) Diese Stelle, welche ein Jahr lang vakant war, hat Pastor J. C. Park erwählt. — (18) Pastor H. A. Weller, welcher bei dieser Synode ordinirt wurde, ist als Pastor berufen worden. — (19) Pastor J. H. Waidelich ist als Pastor dieser Stelle berufen. — Zahlen mit einem * versehen, sind, da für die betreffenden Rubriken nichts berichtet war, dem letztjährigen Bericht entnommen.

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Tabelle No. 2.

Beiträge der Gemeinden im Synodal-Jahr 1888—1889.

„Auflage" für 1889 und 1890 ist die von der Committee über systematische Wohlthätigkeit aufgestellte Summe für das letzte und das neue Synodal-Jahr.

Die Auflage für „Einheimische Mission des General-Concils" für 1889—1890 beträgt 50 Procent, oder die Hälfte der Auflage für Synodal-Zwecke und wird neben dieser regelmäßigen Synodal-Auflage erwartet.

„Gemeinde-Auslagen" — „für gewöhnlichen Unterhalt" bezeichnen alle regelmäßigen Ausgaben für den Gehalt des Pastors, Organisten, Lehrer, Chor, Kirchendiener u. dergl. — „Für besondere Zwecke," schließt Gelder in sich, die für Bau und Reparaturen von Kirchen und Pfarrhäusern und dergleichen und zur Abtragung von Kirchenschulden verausgabt wurden.

„In der Auflage eingeschlossene Beiträge" sind solche, die in die Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeits-Kasse, für Erziehung, Einheimische Mission unserer Synode, Wittwen- und Waisenfond u. s. w., sowie für „Heiden Mission" einbezahlt werden.

Unter **„In der Auflage nicht eingeschlossene Beiträge"** schließt „Theologisches Seminar" alle Beiträge für den Baufond, für laufende Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Mühlenberg Collegium" alle Beiträge für allgemeine Ausgaben und für das Fundirungs-Kapital; — „Waisenhaus" alle Beiträge in Geld oder Werth der übersandten Gaben an das Waisenhaus in Germantown; — „Einheimische Mission" — englisch oder deutsch — alle Gaben, welche den beiden Missions-Committeen des General-Concils oder bedürftigen Gemeinden desselben, aber außerhalb unserer Synode, überreicht wurden — in sich.

Mit **„Allgemeinen Zwecken"** sind Beiträge für wohlthätige Anstalten oder Zwecke von einem allgemeinen Charakter, oder die außerhalb unserer Kirche stehen, bezeichnet.

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Ehrw. Andres, W. J.	$140	$140	$135 00	1050 00	$125 00	125 00	$10 00	$140 00	$ 25 00	.....	$10 00	$10 00	.....	$1595 00
„ Anspach, J. M.	160	160	160 00	2695 00	2000 00	60 00	100 00	178 00	26 25	$25 00	25 00	.....	$50 00	5159 25
„ Apple, B. F.	40	35	50 02	700 00	575 00	50 02	.....	51 05	41 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1422 07
„ Bartholomew, D. D.	60	60	61 50	1000 00	500 00	56 50	5 00	17 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	1588 50

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Chris.	Bauer, C. K.															28	55	17	00					412 55
,,	Becker, J. L.	50	150	42	00			325	00	42	00													
,,	Bender, F. P.	200	100	171	25	2921	41	1059	06	171	25					355	00	26	00			71	00	48 00	4651 72
,,	Berkemeyer, F.	140	140	147	81	942	00			147	81							65	00					1154 81
,,	Bernd, F. K.	130	130	167	00	955	00	762	00	127	00	40	00			35	00	6	93	12	00			17 31	1903 24
,,	Bernheim, G. D., D. D.	30	30	25	20	1000	00	155	00	25	2					50				6	00				1186 70
,,	Bieber, J. W.	250	250	250	00	1200	00			250	00			22	00										1472 00
,,	Bieber, W. J.	160	160	196	00	710	00	75	00	165	00	31	00	100	00	20	00	25	00	20	00				1146 00
,,	Binder, C. K.	30	30	25	00	907	47	734	35	25	00			64	90									92 60	1824 32
,,	Breinig, A. J. L.	45	45	40	00	650	00	75	00	40	00			45	20										820 20
,,	Brownmiller, E. S.	150	80	67	00					60	00	7	00												67 00
,,	Bruning, H. H.	50	50	50	41	750	00			50	41			47	00	47	45								894 86
,,	Bürmeyer, F. F.*)																								
,,	Cassaday, E. R.	25	25	15	00	775	00			15	00			50	45										840 45
,,	Coleman, D. L.	25		25	00	750	00	1200	00	20	00	5	00			15	00	4	25	7	13				2001 38
,,	Creßman, J. J.	140	140	140	00	1400	00	550	00	115	00	25	00	125	00										2215 00
,,	Darmstätter, J.	40	40	30	00	960	00	100	00	10	00	20	00									10	00		1100 00
,,	Darmstätter, J. A.	70	70	62	00	967	00			30	00	32	00											121 00	1150 00
,,	Deck, J. P.	225	225	395	00	2197	96	1288	50	225	00	170	00	225	00	266	70	139	46	65	00			300 00	4857 42
,,	Dizinger, J. C.	60	60	108	25	1761	00	714	00	50	00	58	25					45	25			23	69	59 25	2691 44
,,	Drumheller, C. K.	30	30	13	25	700	00	300	00	13	25			22	50	50		8	00						1044 25
,,	Early, J. W. [1]	25	40	5	00					5	00														5 00
,,	Erb, J. S.	130	130	130	00	1300	00	600	00	130	00					40	00	14	32	16	56	10	00		2110 88
,,	Erdman, A. E. [2]	50	50	40	40	1121	00	500	00	20	20	20	20			12	00							60 42	1733 62
,,	Fegley, H. R.	160	160	184	65	1215	00	160	00	151	65	33	00	105	49	20	00	57	41	11	75			5 00	1759 30
,,	Fegley, H. S.	130	130	151	68	1500	00			100	34	51	34			82	83								1734 51
,,	Finfrock, A. [3]	200	200	114	45	1000	00	1200	00	114	45													100 00	2414 45
,,	Fluck, F. J. C.	30	30	25	00	1376	76	356	00	25	00														1757 76
,,	Fogelman, D. L.	35	35	25	50	725	00	200	00	16	40	9	10	38	58	3	11			2	10	5	00		999 29
,,	Foust, G. D.	40	35	33	28	932	30	215	00	23	28	10	00	125	00			25	00						1330 58
,,	Foust, J. J.	25	25	27	12	650	00	750	00	27	12					19	10							5 00	1451 22
,,	Fox, J. B.	250	250	277	77	1250	00	700	00	250	00	22	77					10	12	27	78				2265 67
,,	Fox, W. B.	220	220	250	00	1500	00			220	00	30	00	450	00			25	00	14	69			50 00	2289 69
,,	Francis, S. A. K.	135	135	165	00	2000	00	1000	00	125	00	40	00					100	00	15	00			87 00	3267 00
,,	Fry, C. L.	650	650	750	00	4500	00			675	00	75	00	1800	00	135	00	150	00	650	00			775 00	8760 00
,,	Fry, J., D. D.	750	850	850	50	4550	00	3150	00	685	25	165	25	2218	00			204	00	565	00			1325°°	12862 50

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Ehrw. Gable, J. H.	$165	$165	$ 92 77	1800 00	$5000 00	$92 77								$6892 77
„ Gardner, G. C.	60	50	114 15	1139 37	2829 93	74 15	$40 00		$ 25 00	$80 00	$10 00	$15 00	$59 00	4271 95
„ Gardner, G. F.	30	30	31 52	700 00	268 00	23 52	8 00	$ 50 00		5 00			25 00	1079 52
„ Gauker, J. W.	40	40	23 53	700 00	1600 00	13 53	10 00			5 00				2328 53
„ Geiger, W. H.	75	75	90 00	740 00	512 00	75 00	15 00	31 00	15 00	86 98	3 50			1478 48
„ Geissinger, D. H.	400	400	341 00	3610 93	9442 97	300 00	41 00		85 25	50 00				13530 15
„ Gerhart, E. H.	25	25		514 79	400 00									914 79
„ Gerlach, R.	75	75	25 00	2244 32	600 00		25 00		10 00	25 00		83 00	20 00	3007 32
„ German, J. P.	75	75		400 00	915 00									1315 00
„ Geschwind, L. H.	30	30	11 25	804 60	743 00	11 25				11 00				1569 85
„ Gieß, H.	150	150	160 00	609 60		150 00	10 00			10 00				170 00
„ Glasow, P. F. A.	35	40	30 70	830 50	728 25	15 00	15 70					23 37	20 70	1633 52
„ Gräpp, C. A.	10			620 00										620 00
„ Gräpp, J. C.	10	10	10 00	1409 00		10 00								1419 00
„ Grahn, H.	150	140	145 49	5166 07	974 34	132 39	13 10			200 00		265 09	128 78	6879 67
„ Groh, L.	200	225	205 00	1600 00		105 00	100 00	974 00	174 50	104 70	24 50		100 00	3182 70
„ Gruhler, J.	40	40	50 00	650 30	107 80	30 00	20 00		10 00	5 00				853 10
„ Günsch, G. F. W.	60	60	52 50			42 50	10 00	80 00						132 50
„ Haßler, J. W.	125	125	80 00	800 00	250 00	80 00		23 00	26 85	40 00	8 76			1228 61
„ Haupt, C. E.*)	75	75												
„ Heilig, Th.	30	30	26 00	600 00	100 00	26 00		125 00	40 00					891 00
„ Heilman, U. P.	140	140	90 00	900 00	1000 00	90 00		100 00		25 00				2115 00
„ Heißler, A. J.	30			436 00	136 00		6 44	100 00				10 59		683 63
„ Hemsath, C. H.	150	150	287 67	1571 49	424 78	100 00	187 67	160 00	13 04	28 92	55 00		21 00	2561 90

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"	Hillpot, J. [4]	60	110	73	64	700	00	1500	00	73	64					124	45	$7	50					2405	59
"	Hinterleitner, G. A., D. D.	125	125	140	00	2450	00	1730	00	140	00			100	00	196	00						105	00	4721	00
"	Hirzel, C. J.	30	30	30	00	1317	65	315	00	20	00	10	00	22	45	5	16	5	00	20	90				1716	16
"	Horine, M. C.	225	225	211	00	1906	30			211	00			135	00	40	75	8	00						2301	05
"	Horne, A. R., D. D.	270	270	270	00	1650	00	1250	00	270	00			177	00	43	80								3390	80
"	Humbert, D. K.	325	325	325	00					225	00	100	00												325	00
"	Huntzinger, F. K.	200	200	100	00	3000	00	1500	00	100	00							30	00	20	00		25	00	4675	00
"	Ifsenschmid, P., M. D.	80	80	105	00	1000	00	1300	00	20	00	85	00					90	00			15	00	100 00	2610	00
"	Jelden, F.	25	25	46	90	769	23	20	58	25	00	21	90	11	72							11	20		859	63
"	Keiter, W. D. C.	65	65	60	00	1016	14	1450	00	60	00			20	00	6	50								2552	64
"	Kepner, D. K. [5]	300	300	490	82	3081	98			315	82	175	00			3453	78								7026	58
"	Kline, J. J.	140	140	125	00	1150	00	495	00	125	00			55	00	5	00								1830	00
"	Klingensmith, U. J.	35	35	35	00	750	00			35	00			33	00			5	00						823	00
"	Kohler, J.	55	55	45	00	550	00			20	00	25	00			160	00	10	00	10	00				775	00
"	Kramlich, B. E. [6]	250	250	250	00	1700	00	400	00	250	00														2350	00
"	Kramlich, M. J.					125	00	280	00																405	00
"	Krotel, G. F., D. D., LL. D. [7]	550	550	812	00	7283	18			550	00	262	00	700	00	195	00			500	00		520	00	10010	18
"	Kuber, J. H.	85	85	179	92	1346	21	116	97	104	92	75	00	165	00	70	00	33	00	65	00				1976	10
"	Kühn, Conrad	85	85	55	00	1594	62	751	31	50	00	5	00	5	00	20	00	5	00			10	00		2440	93
"	Kündig, J. J.	225	150	100	00	3595	38	1587	66	100	00							191	25					50 00	5525	29
"	Kuntz, D.	175	175	100	86	1240	00	900	00	75	86	25	00							25	00	25	00		2290	86
"	Kuntz, J. J.	125	150	140	40	925	00	200	00	125	00	15	40	175	65										1441	05
"	Kunkel, G. G.	25	25	15	99	624	68	160	00			15	99	5	87	33	40			12	04	8	00		859	98
"	Laird, S., D. D.	1100	1100	1480	21	4635	63	2573	35	1000	00	480	21			115	00	658	19	938	12		123	24	10523	74
"	Lauer, W. C. L. { Frackville	25	25			779	52																		779	52
	{ Millersville	40	40	29	00					29	00														29	00
"	Lazarus, J. W.	140	140	100	00	1560	00	200	00	100	00			125	50	50	00	15	00				25	00	2075	50
"	Leibensberger, J. D.	25	25	15	00	745	83	437	50	10	00	5	00												1198	33
"	Lenker, M. B.	15	15	16	00	538	00	200	00	16	00												40	00	794	00
"	Leopold, D.	200	200	100	00	1400	00	1000	00	50	00	50	00			10	23	10	00	50	00	50	00		2620	23
"	Lindenstruth, L.	70	70	80	00	1170	00	541	35	60	00	20	00			62	15	15	00	5	00	15	75		1889	75
"	Linß, A.	10	20	20	00	1945	68	749	00	10	00	10	00									10	00	42 00	2766	68
"	Long, A. J.	225	225	167	00	2000	00	9000	00	160	00	7	00	75	75	25	63							100 00	11368	38
"	Lynch, R. B. [8]	100		87	25	956	00			87	25														1043	25

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Ehrw. Markley, A. B. [9]	$ 50	$ 50	$ 68 26	1077 30	$ 455 00	$38 26	$30 00	.....	$ 55 25	$12 76	$18 00	$10 00	.....	$1696 57
„ Mayne, J. W.	125	100	140 00	1919 19	4429 22	125 00	15 00	.....	50 85	16 00	960 00	.....	$63 25	6628 11
„ Mayser, F. P.	165	165	159 00	2900 00	1220 00	95 00	64 00	50 00	.....	76 00	.....	20 00	200 00	4625 00
„ McAtee, J. O.	25	.....	.....	424 03	815 33	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	1254 36
„ Mehrkam, A. M.	25	25	25 00	1002 78	2609 17	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3637 25
„ Meyer, J. H. { Steelton	25	50	6 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00
„ „ Mahanoy City	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
„ Miller, E. L.	20	20	24 69	1200 03	613 00	15 00	9 69	13 25	.....	16 11	16 50	.....	39 17	1922 75
„ Miller, O. D.	80	80	80 00	700 00	300 00	80 00	.....	57 50	74 68	.....	.....	.....	145 00	1357 18
„ Müller, G. Ph.	30	30	18 50	820 98	142 00	11 00	7 50	8 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	15 50	1010 98
„ Müller, W. A. C.	75	75	29 50	1267 67	.....	29 50	.....	.....	17 50	8 00	15 00	5 00	.....	1342 67
„ Myers, W. H.	50	50	30 00	2200 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2230 00
„ Neff, J.	75	75	89 21	2214 44	4209 24	62 50	26 71	19 00	.....	27 18	11 11	.....	.....	6570 18
„ Neiman, J. H.	85	85	45 43	700 00	1500 00	38 43	7 00	152 93	39 65	14 33	5 00	.....	.....	2457 34
„ Nidecker, J. E.	700	750	810 90	7958 84	790 65	259 90	551 00	122 52	170 35	1120°°	70 00	125 00	1183°°	12351 26
„ Niemann, J.	30	30	.....	820 00	300 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	1130 00
„ Ochsenford, S. E.	55	55	69 35	630 00	1789 00	55 00	14 35	10 53	70 25	5 50	5 50	.....	15 50	2595 63
„ Oefer, Wald. R. M.	15	.....	.....	1788 50	497 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	2310 50
„ Ohl, J. F.	125	125	132 55	1200 00	200 00	33 56	98 99	222 25	.....	23 42	23 74	.....	18 68	1820 64
„ Peters, H.	300	300	208 50	1925 46	.....	208 50	.....	1042 50	.....	1128°°	21 00	.....	.....	4325 46
„ Pfatteicher, Ph.	200	200	235 00	2900 00	.....	170 00	65 00	218 00	42 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	3415 00
„ Pflüger, A. P.	110	110	65 94	1010 00	50 00	35 94	30 00	180 00	36 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1341 94
„ Pflüger, O. E.	40	10	40 00	725 00	75 00	40 00	.....	52 96	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	902 96

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Ehrw. Small, E. H.	$100	$100	$100 00	1402 90	$ 205 95	$50 00	$50 00	$125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$1833 85
„ Späth, A., Prof. D.D.*)	200	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
„ Spieker, G. F., D. D.	125	125	181 14	2031 35	.....	125 00	56 14	320 00	$ 10 00	$10 00	$31 34	.....	$53 51	2637 34
„ Stetler, D. M.	65	65	56 66	847 00	605 00	56 66	.....	38 00	55 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1611 66
„ Strauß, W. H.	135	135	155 00	800 00	.....	115 00	40 00	70 00	30 15	.....	10 00	.....	.....	1065 15
„ Strodach, H. B.	.....	.....	110 00	5185 38	3322 81	85 00	25 00	.....	.....	130 00	25 00	50 00	427 75	9250 94
„ Struntz, G. A.	35	35	35 00	850 00	590 00	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1475 00
„ Stump, Jos.	10	.....	.....	354 45	1456 89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1811 34
„ Stupp, S. B. [12]	20	60	47 00	1200 00	100 00	47 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1357 00
„ Trexler, D. D.	75	75	75 0	500 00	2500 00	75 00	.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3225 00
„ Umbenhen, J. H.	20	20	20 00	687 00	.....	20 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	757 00
„ Upp, J. D.	60	60	60 00	971 19	583 15	60 00	.....	75 00	28 50	.....	8 94	.....	.....	1726 78
„ Waage, O. F. [13]	200	.....	.....	1900 00	500 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	2675 00
„ Walter, A. W.	15	15	.....	894 76	214 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1109 69
„ Walz, F.	210	210	130 40	1155 00	500 00	130 00	.....	87 50	12 50	25 00	.....	.....	.....	1910 40
„ Wampole, J. F.	100	100	100 00	1250 00	150 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1505 00
„ Weickfel, H.	80	80	62 73	512 00	672 00	62 73	.....	121 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1367 73
„ Weickfel, W.	20	.....	15 47	410 00	210 00	15 47	.....	2 14	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	640 11
„ Weigand, H.	50	.....	1 00	700 00	5000 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	20 00	5761 00
„ Weiskotten, F. W.	325	325	249 00	4793 26	.....	102 00	147 00	.....	.....	550 00	10 00	35 00	.....	5637 26
„ Welder, B. G.	125	125	115 00	1100 00	250 00	85 00	30 00	175 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1640 00
„ Wendel, H.	25	20	25 00	925 00	1400 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	2375 00
„ Wenrich, S.	15	15	15 00	1000 00	.....	10 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00	5 24	.....	1080 24
„ Wischan, F.	550	500	232 28	5600 00	1500 00	132 28	100 00	200 00	.....	325 00	.....	200 00	270 00	8127 28

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Ehrw. Wisser, P. P.	25		7 00			7 00										7 00
„ Wuchter, A. C.	20	20	20 00	772 00		20 00				25 50		5 00	5 00	18 76		846 26
„ Pehl, C. A.	125	125	135 00	1279 25	3876 67	125 00	10 00			17 01	5 00	8 45		85 31		5406 69
„ Yount, A. L.	40	40	30 00	1735 00	250 00		30 00			83 00	28 00	31 00				2157 00
„ Zentner, J.	50	25	25 00	900 00	600 00	25 00								15 23		1540 25
„ Ziegenfuß, S. A.	160	160	166 25	1515 00	60 00	108 75	57 50	52 45	200 10			22 00				2015 80
„ Zimmerman, R. M.	30	30	50 00	2125 00	350 00	30 00	20 00									2525 25
„ Zizelmann, P.	75	75	80 00	1040 00	1396 64	80 00										2516 64
„ Zweizig, B. D.	250	250	140 00	2500 00	1000 00	105 00	35 00	35 00						41 50		3716 50
Centre Square	25	25	25 00	497 15	330 00	25 00										852 15
Chestnut Hill, Monroe Co.	110	110														
Cogan Station		20														
Ephrata	80															
Lykens Valley	40															
Orwigsburg	130	140														
Schwenksville	100															
Sellersville	100			700 00												700 00
Trappe	125															

Anmerkungen zu der Tabelle No. 2.

[1] Bericht für 2 Monate.

[2] $60.42 unter „Allgemeine Zwecke" wurden an die St. Johannes-Gemeinde zu Pen Argyl bezahlt.

[3] Von der Zions-Kirche, Womelsdorf, $33.59; Gute Samariter-S.-Schule $7.54, zusammen $41.13. Eck-Kirche $18.48; Blauberg $19.00; Host's $30.85. Gesammtsumme $109.45.

[4] $73.64 für Allgem. Wohlthätigkeit schließt ein $18.12 von der Stone Valley Pfarrstelle, $25.52 von der Walmers Pfarrstelle.

[5] Die Emanuel-S.-S. trug $90.82 für einheimische Mission der Synode bei.

[6] $50.00 wurden an Student C. F. Dry ausbezahlt und ist in dem Betrag für Allg. Wohlthätigkeit eingeschlossen.

[7] Im Bericht ist nicht eingeschlossen, was für die Epiphany-Kirche, Pastor F. F. Bürmeyer, beigetragen wurde.

[8] Bericht seit 9. September 1888.

[9] $30.00 für Heidenmission schließt ein einen jährlichen Beitrag von $20.00 von Dr. G. A. Bender für eine Schule in Indien.

[10] Beitrag für Heidenmission schließt ein einen Beitrag für die Erziehung eines Knaben in Indien.

[11] $30 unter „Heidenmission" ist ein Beitrag der Friedens-S.-Schule für die Erziehung eines Schülers in Indien. $30.84 wurden kollektiert für engl. einh. Mission beim Kinderfest in Myerstown und in Mt. Aetna.

[12] Beitrag für Mühlenberg-College ist persönlicher Beitrag des Pastors. $47 für Allgem. Wohlthätigkeit schließt ein einen Beitrag von $27 von der Walmers Pfarrstelle.

[13] Die Stelle gehört erst seit 5 Monaten zur Synode, während welcher Zeit keine Collecten für wohlthätige Zwecke erhoben wurden.

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Tabelle No. 3.

Gemeinde-Register,

enthaltend die Namen der Pfarrstellen, der sie bildenden Gemeinden, sowie Namen und Wohnort der Pastoren, nach Konferenzen und Counties geordnet.

Erste Konferenz.

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Bucks Co.		
Alt-Goschenhoppen	Alt-Goschenhoppen (Gemeinschaftlich) nahe Sumneytown und Klein-Zion nahe Telford, Franconia Twp.; beide in Montgomery Co.; Friedens.	F. Walz.	Sellersville.
Doylestown	St. Paulus, Doylestown	D. L. Coleman	Doylestown.
Hilltown	St. Peters, Hilltown; St. Andreas, Bridgetown	F. Berkemeyer	Sellersville.
Quakertown	St. Johannis, Quakertown; St. Paulus, Applebachsville, Haycock Twp.; St. Matthäus (Kellers), Bedminster Twp.	J. F. Ohl	Quakertown.
Richlandtown	St. Johannis, Richlandtown; Zions, Zions Hill; Emanuels, Franconia Twp.; Christus, Trumbauersville.	D. H. Reiter	Richland Centre.
Sellersville	St. Michaelis, Sellersville; Ridge Valley, Rock Hill	J. H. Waidelich	Sellersville.
Tinicum	St. Lucas, Dublin; Christus, Tinicum Twp.	R. B. Lynch	Dublin.
Pfarrstellen..... 7	Gemeinden..... 17		
	Chester Co.		
Phönixville	St. Johannis, Phönixville	S. B. Stupp	Phönixville.
Pikeland	Ev.-luth. St. Peters, West Pikeland	U. J. Klingensmith	Kimberton.
Zions und Spring City	Zions, Ost Pikeland Twp.; Ev.-luth. Gemeinde, Spring City, Church und Chestnut Str.	J. Neff	Spring City.
Pfarrstellen..... 3	Gemeinden..... 4		
	Delaware Co.		
Chester	Trinitatis	Vakant	
Pfarrstelle..... 1	Gemeinde..... 1		

Montgomery Co.

Centre Square	St. Johannis, Centre Square	J. C. Park	Centre Square.
Falkner Schwamm	New Hanover (Schwamm); Christus (Huber), Douglas Twp.; Trinitatis, Bechtelsville, Berks Co.	J. J. Kline	New Hanover.
Lansdale	Ev.-luth. Trinitatis, Lansdale; Ev.-luth. Christus, Towamencin	J. L. Becker	Lansdale.
Norristown, Gnaden	Englische ev.-luth. Gnaden, Ecke Marshall und George Straße	R. D. Röder	Norristown.
,, Trinitatis	Ev.-luth. Trinity, DeKalb Straße	H. Peters A. J. Weddel, P. emer.	Norristown. Norristown.
North Wales	St. Peters, Ecke Main und Church Straße, North Wales	G. D. Foust	North Wales.
Pennsburg	St. Paulus, Pennsburg; St. Johannis, Spinnerstown, Bucks Co.	O. F. Waage	Pennsburg.
Pottstown, Emanuels	Emanuels	D. K. Kepner	Pottstown.
,, Verklärungs	Verklärungs-Kirche, Ecke Hanover und Chestnut Str.	O. V. Smith	Pottstown.
Schwenksville	St. Jakobus, Limerick; Jerusalem, Schwenksville	N. F. Schmidt	Schwenksville.
Sumneytown	St. Johannes, Sumneytown; St. Markus, Pennsburg; Sassaman's, Douglas Twp.; Kielers, Frederick Twp.	W. B. Fox	Sumneytown.
Trappe	Augustus, Trappe	E. T. Kretschman	Trappe.

Pfarrstellen..... 12 Gemeinden..... 20

Philadelphia.

1. Deutsche:

Christus	Christus, 26. und Jefferson Str.; St. Markus, 28. und Dauphin Str.	H. Weigand	1731 Bambrey Str.
Emanuels	Ev.-luth. Emanuels, 4. und Carpenter	H. Grahn	1009 S. 4. Str.
Immanuels, Frankford	Ev.-luth. Immanuels, Tackawanna und Plum Str., Frankford	M. Schimpf	4708 Tackawanna.
Kreuz	Ev.-luth. Kreuz, Lehigh Ave. oberhalb 9. Str.	W. R. M. Oeser	924 Silver Str.
Manayunk	Deutsche ev.-luth. Gemeinde, Martin und Pechin Str., Roxboro	G. C. Gardner	Roxboro.
St. Jakobus	Ev.-luth. St. Jakobus, 3. und Columbia Ave	F. W. Weiskotten	2126 Hancock Str.
St. Johannes	Ev.-luth. St. Johannes, 15. und Ogden Str.	A. Späth, D D.	1615 Girard Ave.
St. Michaels	St. Michaels, Cumberland Str. und Trenton Ave	F. P. Bender	2304 Ost York Str.
St. Petri	St. Petri, 42. und Myrtle Str.	C. F. Welden, D. D., Pastor emeritus. E. H. Pohle	817 Holly Str. 4307 Fairmount Ave.
St. Thomas, Germantown	St. Thomas, Ecke Morton und Herrman	Fr. Jelden	Ecke High und Morton.
Trinitatis, Rising Sun	Dreieinigkeits, 16. Straße oberhalb Tioga	A. Linsz	1412 Tioga Str.
Zions	Ev.-luth. Zions, Franklin unterhalb Vine Str.	Prof. W. J. Mann, D. D., Pastor emer. J. E. Nidecker	114 Nord 34. Str. 228 Franklin Str.

Pfarrstellen..... 12 Gemeinden..... 13

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	2. Englische:		
Advents	Ev.-luth. Church of the Advent, 5. Str. oberhalb Cumberland	J. F. C. Fluck	504 West Cumberland.
Christus, Chestnut Hill	Christus, Chestnut Hill	C. J. Hirzel	Chestnut Hill.
Church of the Nativity	Church of the Nativity, 20. und Tioga Str.	E. H. Gerhart	3517 N. 17. Str.
Epiphany, Manayunk	Epiphany, Manayunk	Vakant	
Heil. Communion	Kirche der Heiligen Communion, Broad und Arch Str.	J. A. Seiß, D.D. LL.D.	1338 SpringGarden St.
		F. F. Fry, Gehülfe	1340 SpringGarden St.
St. James	St. James, 19. oberhalb Reed Str.	J. D. McAtee	1714 Süd 15. Str.
St. John's	Ev.-luth. St. Johns, Race oberhalb 5. Str.	E. E. Sibole	516 Brown Str.
St. Lukes	Ev.-luth. St. Lukes, Ecke 7. und Montgomery	J. L. Sibole	701 erks Str.
St. Markus	Ev.-luth. St. Markus, Spring Garden oberhalb 13. Str.	S. Laird, D. D.	1314 SpringGarden St.
St. Michaels, Germantown	St. Michaels, Ecke Germantown Ave. und Church Str.	J. P. Deck	5467 Germantown Ave.
St. Pauls	Ev.-luth. St. Pauls, 22. Str. oberhalb Montgomery	M. M. Zimmerman	1814 Diamond Str.
St. Peters	Ev.-luth. St. Peters, 9. und Reed Str.	C. R. Cassaday	1605 Süd Broad Str.
St. Stephens	St. Stephens, Powelton Ave. unterhalb 40. Str.	W. A. Schäffer	Station G, Philadel'a.
Trinity	Trinity, 18. und Wolfe Str.	S. A. K. Francis	1431 Süd 10. Str.
Pfarrstellen 14	Gemeinden 14		
	Delaware (Staat).		
Wilmington, St. Stephens	Englische St. Stephens, Ecke Patnall und 8. Str.	Wm. A. Sadtler	612 King Str.
„ Zions	Deutsche Zions	P. Ysenschmid, M. D.	Wilmington.
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 2		
	New Jersey (Staat).		
Camden, Dreifaltigkeits	Deutsche Dreieinigkeits, Camden	J. C. Dizinger	427 Stevens, Camden.
„ Epiphanias	Englische Epiphanias, Ecke 7. und Market Str., Camden	C. K. Binder	503 Linden Str.
Cramer Hill	Christus, Cramer Hill; Ev.-luth. Kirche, Woodbury, Glouceſter Co.	C. A. Gräpp	Nord Cramer Hill.
Millville	St. Pauls, Millville; St. Johannes, Vineland	A. J. Heißler	Millville.
Newark, St. Johannes	Deutsche St. Johannes	W. Rieb	140 Court Str., Newark.
„ Luther. Mission	Luther. Mission	A. Weber	Newark.
New Germany	Ev.-luth. Kirche, New Germany	H. H. Rippe	Hammonton, N. J.
Riverside	Riverside; Hainesport		

Trenton, Advents	Advents	H. J. Heißler	Trenton.
Pfarrstellen..... 9	Gemeinden..... 12		
Stadt New York.			
Epiphanias	Epiphanias, 72 Oft 128. Straße, New York City	F. F. Bürmeyer	60 Oft 122. Str.
Trinitatis	Trinitatis, West 21. Str., New York City	G. F. Krotel, D. D.	49 West 21. Str.
Pfarrstellen..... 2	Gemeinden..... 2		
Zweite Konferenz.			
Carbon Co.			
Lehighton	Ev.-luth. Trinitatis	J. H. Kuder	Lehighton.
Mahoning	Ben Salems, Oft Penn; St. Johannes, Mahoning; Zions und St Peters, West Penn Schuylkill Co.	W. H. Strauß	Lehighton.
Mauch Chunk	St. Johannis, Mauch Chunk; St. Johannis, Oft Mauch Chunk	L. Lindenstruth	Mauch Chunk.
Summit Hill	St. Paulus, Summit Hill; Lansford und Hauto (Predigtplätze)	A. C. Wuchter	Summit Hill.
Weatherly	Ev.-luth. Zions, Weatherly; Ev.-luth. Chriftus, Penn Forreft Twp.; Ev.-luth. St. Paulus, Albrightsville, Kidder Twp.	Geo. G. Kunkel	Weatherly.
Weißport	St. Jacobs, Weißport; St. Matthäus, Nord Weißport; St. Paulus, Groß Creek; Oft Penn.	G. W. Sandt	Weißport.
Pfarrstellen..... 6	Gemeinden..... 15		
Lackawanna Co.			
Scranton, Chriftus	Deutsche ev.-luth. Chriftus, Cedar Ave	J. C. Gräpp	809 Cedar Ave.
„ Trinity	Englische Trinity, Ecke Adams Ave. und Mulberry Str	E. L. Miller	613 Mulberry Str.
Pfarrstellen..... 2	Gemeinden..... 2		
Lecha Co.			
Allentown, St. Johns	Englische St. Johns, 5. nahe Hamilton	S. A. Repaß, D. D.	Allentown.
„ St. Lukas	St. Lukas	J. S. Renninger	Allentown.
„ St. Michaels	St. Michaels, Südweft Ecke 9. und Turner	G. F. Spieker, D. D.	Allentown.
„ St. Peters	Deutsche St. Peters, Ridge Road	G. F. Gardner	Allentown.
Catasauqua, St. Pauls	St. Pauls, Howertown Road	J. W. Mayne	Catasauqua.
„ Trinity	Englische Trinitatis, Catasauqua	D. M. Henkel, D. D.	Catasauqua.
Fogelsville	Ziegels, Weißenburg; Morgenland, Low Hill; St. Johannes, Fogelsville; Cedar, Cedarville.	O. Leopold	Fogelsville.
Jerusalem	Jerusalem, Bucks Co..; Oft Allentown (Hanover)	P. P. Wisser	Schlichter, Bucks Co.
Jerusalem und Zions	Jerusalem, Salisbury Twp.; Zions, Zionsville, Salomons, Macungie; St. Johannes, Emmaus.	M. O. Rath W. Rath, am 2. Juli '89 geft.	Allentown. Allentown.

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Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
Jordan	Jordan, Süd White Hall Twp.; Lowhill, Lowhill Twp.	F. K. Bernd	Stetlersville.
Lynnville	Ebenezer, New Tripoli; Jacobs, Jacksonville, Lynn Twp.; St. Peters, Lynnville, Lynn Twp.; St. Paulus, Seiberlingsville, Weissenburg Twp.; Jerusalem, Albany Twp., Berks Co.	H. S. Fegley	Lynnville.
Schecksville	Union, Nord White Hall Twp.; Heidelberg, Heidelberg Twp.; Friedens, Washingt. Twp., Slatedale.	J. B. Fox	Slatington.
Slatington	St. Johannes, 2. Str., Slatington; St. Johannes, Lower Towamensing, Carbon Co.	J. S. Erb	Slatington.
St. Peters	St. Peters, Ober-Milford	M. J. Kramlich	Fogelsville.
Vater Jäger's	Schönersville, Hanover Twp.; Lehigh, Macunaie Twp.; Friedensville, Saucon Twp.; Rittersville, Hanover Twp.	A. R. Horne, D. D.	Allentown.
White Hall	Egypten und Mikley's, White Hall Twp.; St. Johannes, 3. Str., Coplay; St. Johannes, Laurys.	J. D. Schindel	Allentown.
Pfarrstellen..... 16	Gemeinden..... 38		
	Luzerne Co.		
Conyngham	Christus, Conyngham; St. Johannes, Butler Twp.; Emanuels, Dorrance; Trinitatis, Mountain Grove; St. Paulus, Black Creek; Ost Butler Kapelle.	J. J. Kuntz	Conyngham.
Eckley-Mission	St. Lucas, Freeland; St. Paulus, Ober Lehigh; St. Johannes; St. Peters.	J. H. Schmidt	Freeland.
Freeland, slavonische Miss.	Slavonische St. Peter-Paul, Freeland und 6 andere Missionsstationen.	L. Novomesky	Freeland.
Hazleton	Christus, Church Str., Hazleton	E. A. Bauer	Hazleton.
Pittston	St. Johannis, Pittston; St. Peters, Hughestown; Ev.-luth. Gemeinde, Hansom.	G. A. Strunz	Pittston.
White Haven	St. Paulus, Berwick Str., zwischen Elmira und Church Str.	H. H. Bruning	White Haven.
Wilkesbarre	Englische St. Johns, Ecke Academy und River Str.	L. H. Geschwind	Wilkesbarre.
"	Deutsche St. Paulus, Ecke Süd Main und South Str.	Conrad Kühn	Wilkesbarre.
Pfarrstellen..... 8	Gemeinden..... 18		

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Monroe Co.

Chestnut Hill	Salem und St. Johannes, Chestnut Hill Twp.; St. Matthäus, Eldred Twp.; Jerusalem, Towamensing Twp.	Vakant	Gilberts.
Smithfield	Zions, Middle Smithfield; St. Paulus, Smithfield	Theo. Heilig	Stroudsburg.
Stroudsburg	St. Johns	J. J. Foust	Stroudsburg.
Pfarrstellen 3	Gemeinden 7		

Northampton Co.

Bangor-Mission	Trinitatis, Bangor	B. F. Apple	Bangor.
Bath	St. Johannes, Main Str., Bath; St. . ohannes, Howertown, Allen Twp.	S. A. Ziegenfuß	Bath.
Bethlehem, Gnaden	Gnaden	C. H. Hemfath	Bethlehem.
„ Salems	Salems	C. Smith	Bethlehem.
„ Süd, St. Markus	Ev.-luth. St. Markus	Vakant	Süd Bethlehem.
„ „ St. Peters	St. Peters, Ecke Vine Str. und Packer Ave.; Jerusalems, Salisbury, Twp.	W. F. Schöner	Süd Bethlehem.
„ West	Ev.-luth. Trinitatis, 3. Ave., Bethlehem; St. Thomas, Altonah	W. D. C. Keiter	West Bethlehem.
Cherryville	St. Paulus, nahe Cherryville; Emanuels, nahe Petersville	J. J. Reitz	Cherryville.
Coopersburg	St. Paulus (Blaue Kirche), Upper Saucon Twp., Lehigh Co.; Apples, Lower Saucon Twp.; Chestnut Hill, Lower Milford, Twp., Lecha Co.	E. A. Yehl	Coopersburg.
Easton, Christus	Christus, 4. und Ferry Str., Easton	J. M. Anspach	Easton.
„ St. Johns	St. Johns, Ferry Str., Easton	D. H. Geissinger	Easton.
„ St. Lukas	St. Lucas, Ecke 11. und Ferry Str., Easton	A. W. Walter	937 Ferry Str., Easton.
„ Zions	Ev.-luth. Zions, 5. Str., Easton	P. Pfatteicher	Easton.
„ Süd	Englische St. Paulus, Berwick Str. nahe Delaware Str.	J. D. Upp	Süd Easton.
Freemansburg	Ev.-luth. Trinitatis-Kirche, Freemansburg; St. Johannes, Williams Twp.; St. Markus, Aineyville.	C. E. Sandt	Freemansburg.
Hellertown	Hellertown; Lower Saucon, Lower Saucon Twp.; Alt Williams	W. J. Bieber	Hellertown.
Moorestown u. s. w.	Salem, Moorestown; Christus, Moore Twp.; Zions, Allen Twp.; Snyders, Ost Allen Twp.	W. J. Andres	Bath.
Mount Bethel	Christus, Stone Church, P. O.; Mount Zion, Martins Creek; St. Paulus, Flicksville; Bethel, Johnsonville	J. W. Lazarus	Stone Church.
Nazareth	St. Johannes, Nazareth; Salem, Stockerton; Arndts, Forks Twp.	D. Kuntz	Nazareth.
Plainfield	St. Peters, (Millers); Union, Belfast; St. Johannes, Penn Argyl, Jehova, Buschkill Centre.	A. E. Erdman	Nazareth.
Trockenland	Trinitatis, Hecktown; St. Johannes, Farmersville	J. W. Bieber	Bethlehem.
Pfarrstellen 21	Gemeinden 44		

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Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
	Susquehanna Co.		
Great Bend ..... Pfarrstellen..... 1	Ev.-Luth. St. Paulus, Great Bend ..... Gemeinden..... 1	Jos. Stump	Great Bend.
	Wayne Co.		
Goldsboro'..... Pfarrstellen..... 1	Gnaden, Goldsboro'; St. Johannes, Clifton, Lackawanna Co..... Gemeinden..... 2	Th. Heilig.....	Stroudsburg.
	New Jersey.		
Phillipsburg	Englische Gnaden, Main Str., unterh. Stockton.....	G. D. Bernheim, D. D.....	Phillipsburg.
" ..... Pfarrstellen..... 2	Deutsche St. Johannes..... Gemeinden..... 2	Vakant.....	Phillipsburg.
	Dritte Konferenz.		
	Berks Co.		
Amityville	Amityville, Amity Twp.; Friedensburg, Oley Twp.; Pricetown, Ruscombmanor Twp.	U. P. Heilman.....	Athol.
Bernville.....	Salem, Millersburg; Union, Rehrersburg; Shartelsville; Friedens, Lenhartsville	D. D. Tregler	Bernville.
Boyertown	St Johannes, Boyertown.....	L. Groh.....	Boyertown.
DeLongs.....	De Longs; Lang Schwamm; Hill; Huffs; St. Pauls; Neu Jerusalem	D. K. Humbert	Bowers.
Gables.....	St. James, Geigertown, Union Twp.; Robeson, Robeson Twp.; Allegheny, Brecknock Twp.; St. Johannes, Gibraltar, Robeson Twp.; Wyomissing, Gouglersville; St. Marcus, Birdsboro.	Z. H. Gable	Reading.
Grimsville	Friedens, Albany Twp.; Bethel Zions, Greenwich Twp.; Jerusalem, Greenwich Twp.	B. S. Smoll	Krumsville.
Hamburg.....	St. Johannes, Pine Str., Hamburg; Schumachersville; St. Paulus, Windsor Twp.; Zions, Perry Twp.; Neu Bethel, Albany Twp.	O. D. Miller	Hamburg.
Kutztown	Heilige Dreieinigkeit, Kutztown; Moselem (Zions), Richmond Twp.....	W. A. C. Müller.....	Kutztown.
Kutztown und Bernville	St. Johannes, Kutztown; St. Johannes, Bernville; St. Paulus, North Heidelberg Twp.	J. J. Creßman	Kutztown.

Kramlich's	Mazatawny, Mazatawny Twp.; Mertztown, Long Swamp Twp.; Rockland; Fleetwood, Richmond Twp.; Topton; Trexlertown; Upper Macungie, Lecha Co.	B. E. Kramlich	Kutztown.
Oley	Oley, Oley Twp.; Spieß, Elsaß Twp.; Schalters, Elsaß Twp.; Bern, Penn Twp.; Zior, Perry Twp.	E. S. Brownmiller	Reading, 631 N. 9.
Reading, Gnaden	Gnaden	W. H. Myers	Reading.
„ St. James	St. James, Ecke 5, und Chestnut Str.	M. C. Horine	Reading.
„ St. Lukas	St. Lukas, 9 Str., Reading; Elsaß, nahe Reading; St. Peters, Richmond Twp.	F. K. Huntzinger	Reading.
„ Trinity	Trinitatis, 6. und Washington Str.	J. Fry, D. D.	Reading.
„ Kapellen der Trinitatis.	Glaubens, Woodvale; Hoffnungs, Schuylkill Ave.; Friedens, Nord Reading.	L. J. Bickel, (Gehülfe von Dr. Fry).	Reading.
„ Umgegend von	St. Johannes: Epler's; Schwarzwald; Trinitatis; St. Michaels; Bellemans; Maidencreek; Hinnerschitz.	B. D. Zweizig	Reading.
Stouchsburg	Christus, Stouchsburg; Rehrersburg; Elias, Newmanstown, Lebanon Co.; Millbach, Lebanon Co.; Schäfferstown, Christus, Jefferson Twp.	A. J. Long	Stouchsburg.
Womelsdorf	Zions, Womelsdorf; Daniels (Eck), nahe Robesonia, Heidelberg Twp.; St. Paulus (Host), Jefferson Twp.; Zions (Blauberg), nahe Straußtown, Upper Tulpehocken Twp.	A. Finfrock	Womelsdorf.
Pfarrstellen..... 19	Gemeinden..... 68		

Schuylkill Co.

Frackville	Zions	Vakant	Frackville.
Girardville	Zions	Vakant	Girardville.
Mahanoy City, Christus	Ev.-Luth. Christus	J. Zentner	Mahanoy City.
Minersville	Zions, Minersville	G. F. W. Günsch	Minersville.
Orwigsburg	St. Paulus, Orwigsburg; Friedens, New Ringgold; St. Johannis, Auburn; Christus, McKeansburg; Zions, West Brunswick.	H. A. Weller	Orwigsburg.
Pottsville	Deutsche Trinitatis	G. A. Hinterleitner, D.D.	Pottsville.
Ringtown	St. Johannes, Ringtown; Mt. Zions, Zions Grove; St. Peters, Nürnberg; Grace, Brandonville; Beaver, Beaver Valley, Columbia Co.	O. D. Bartholomew	Ringtown.
Shenandoah	Ev.-Luth. St. Johannes, Shenandoah	J. Gruhler	Shenandoah.
Schuylkill Haven	Jerusalems, Schuylkill Haven; St. Paulus, S. Manheim Twp.; St. Johannis, Friedensburg.	E. H. Smoll	Schuylkill Haven.
Tamaqua, Zions	Englische Zions, Tamaqua; Christus, Rush Twp.; Zions, Lewistown.	J. D. Schlenker	Tamaqua.

Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
Tremont ..... Pfarrstellen..... 11	St. Johannis, Tremont; Friedens, Branche Twp.; Salems, Donaldson, Frailey Twp. Gemeinden..... 25	D. Sanner	Tremont.
	Vierte Konferenz.		
	Cumberland Co.		
Mechanicsburg..... Pfarrstellen..... 1	St. Marcus, Ecke Keller und High Str., Mechanicsburg; St. Johannes, Hampden Twp. Gemeinden..... 2	H. R. Fegley.....	Mechanicsburg.
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Harrisburg, St. Michaelis	Deutsche St. Michaelis, Harrisburg.....	J. G. Pfuhl.....	Harrisburg.
Steelton, Trinitatis..... Pfarrstellen..... 2	Deutsche ev.-luth. Trinitatis..... Gemeinden..... 2	J. Meyer.....	Steelton.
	Lancaster Co.		
Brickerville	Brickerville, Elisabeth Twp.; White Oak, Penn Twp.; Rothsville, Warwick Twp.	H. E. Semmel.....	Litiz.
Columbia, St. Paulus.....	Deutsche St. Paulus, Columbia; Concordia, Chestnut Hill	J. A. Darmstätter.....	Columbia.
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Elizabethtown	Christus, Ost High Str., Elizabethtown.....	Geo. Seaman.....	Elizabethtown.
Ephrata.....	Heilige Dreieinigkeits, Ephrata.....	Vakant.....	Ephrata.
Lancaster, Christus.....	Christus, West King Str., Lancaster.....	E. L. Reed.....	Lancaster.
„ Grace	Grace, James und Nord Queen Str., Lancaster.....	C. E. Haupt, 210. James St.	Lancaster.
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„ Zions.....	Deutsche Zions.....	F. P. Mayser.....	Lancaster.
Lincoln	Salems; Schöneck; Schwamm; Zions.....	J. D. Leibensperger.....	Denver.
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Mechanicsburg.....	Zions, Main Str., Mechanicsburg.....	J. Kohler.....	Leacock.
Millersville	St. Paulus, Millersville; Salems, Rohrerstown; St. Michaels, Ost Main Str., Strasburg.	W. C. L. Lauer.....	Millersville.

Mount Joy	Ev.-luth. Trinitatis, Mount Joy, Süd Barbara Str.	J. H. Umbenhen	Mount Joy.
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Reamstown	Salem, Reamstown; St. Johannes, Oft Earl Twp.; Bergstraße, Ephrata Twp.; Muddy Creek, Oft Cocalico Twp.; St. Paulus, Bowmansville. Gemeinden..... 28	B. G. Welder	Reamstown.
Pfarrstellen..... 16			

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Palmyra	Bindnagels, Londonderry Twp.; Schells, Oft Hanover Twp., und Wenrichs, Linglestown, Lower Paxton, beide in Dauphin Co.	J. W. Gauker	Grantville, Dauphin Co.
Walmers	Zions, Oft Hanover Twp.; Walmers und Sattazahns, Union Twp.; Moonshine und Lickdale, Bethel Twp., (Predigtplätze).	J. Hillpot	Lickdale.
Zoar	Zoars, Mt. Zion; St. Paulus, Hamlin; St. Johannes, Fredericksburg; Monroe Valley, Lickdale, Bethel Twp. Gemeinden..... 17	H. Gieß	Jonestown.
Pfarrstellen..... 6			

Fünfte Konferenz.

Clinton Co.

Lock Haven	Erste ev.-luth., Front Str., Lock Haven Gemeinden..... 1	J. Darmstätter	Lock Haven.
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Columbia Co.

Berwick	St. Johannes, Mifflinville; Briar Creek, Briar Creek Twp.; St. Jakobs und Mt. Zion, Nescopek Twp.; St. Jakobus, Hollenbach Twp.; Wapwallopen, Conyngham Twp.; St. Paulus, Salem Twp., Luzerne Co.	J. P. German	Berwick.
Catawissa	St. Johannes, Main Str., Catawissa; St. Paulus, Numidia, Locust Twp.; Emanuels, Mainville. Gemeinden..... 10	J. H. Reiman	Catawissa.
Pfarrstellen..... 2			

Dauphin Co.

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Pfarrstelle.	Gemeinden.	Pastoren.	Wohnort.
Lykens Valley	St. Johannes, Mifflin Twp.; Simeons, Gratztown; Zions Upper Paxton Twp.; Salems, Elisabethville; St. Jakobs, Jackson Twp.	Oskar E. Pflüger	Elizabethville.
Stone Valley	Zions, Pillow; St. Lucas, (Vera Cruz); Stone Valley; Georgtown, Lower Mahanoy Twp.; Northumberland Co.	W. H. Geiger	Pillow.
Pine Valley	Klingers und St. Matthäus (Colemans), Lykens Twp; Artz, Hubly Twp.; Friedens und Christus, Hegins Twp., Schuylkill Co.		Pillow.
Pfarrstellen 4	Gemeinden 17		
	Juniata Co.		
Richland-Mission	Richfield; Arbogast's, Perry Twp.; Leiningers, Susquehanna Twp.; St. Johannes, Fayette Twp.; St. Peters, Monroe Twp.	Geo. J. Schäffer	Richfield.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 5		
	Lycoming Co.		
Cogan Station	Cogan Station	Vakant	Cogan Station.
Jersey Shore	Zions, Ecke Smith und Wilson Str.	J. W. Early	Jersey Shore.
Williamsport	Ev.-luth. St. Markus-Kirche, 139 Market Str., Williamsport	A. L. Yount	Williamsport.
Pfarrstellen 3	Gemeinden 3		
	Montour Co.		
Danville, deutsche	St. Johannes, Market Str., Danville; St. Jakobus, Ridgeville, Cooper Twp.; St. Peters; Trinitatis, Liberty Twp., von Pastor Fogelman zeitweilig bedient.	D. L. Fogelman	Danville.
„ Trinitatis	Englische Trinitatis, Ecke Market und Church Str.	C. K. Drumheller	Danville.
Pfarrstellen 2	Gemeinden 5		
	Northumberland Co.		
Line Mountain	St. Jakobs und St. Johannis, Upper Mahanoy Twp.; St. Johannes, Barry Twp.; Zions, Eldred Twp.; Salems, Ober Mahontonga Twp., Schuylkill Co.	H. Weickſel	Line Mountain.
Mahanoy	Himmels, Washington Twp.; Immanuels, Mahanoy Twp.; St. Paulus und Davids, Jordan Twp.; St. Johannes, Jackson Twp.; Zions, Herndon.	D. M. Stetler	Mahanoy.
Shamokin	Gnaden (Mission), Shamokin; St. Paulus und St. Peters, Cameron Twp.; Mount Carmel Mission.	Wm. Weickſel	Shamokin.
St. Peters	St. Peters	J. C. Schmidt	Mahanoy.

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Trevorton	Twp.; Emanuels, Rockafeller Twp.	A. J. L. Breinig	Augustaville.
Turbotville	Zions, Turbotville; Washingtonville, Montour Co.	A. P. Pflüger	Turbotville.
Pfarrstellen	Gemeinden 20		

Snyder Co.

Beavertown	St. Johannes, Black Oak Ridge, West Beaver Twp.; Christus, Franklin Twp.; St. Matthäus, McClure; St. James, Trexelville; St. Paulus, Beavertown.	Vakant	
Freeburg	St. Peters, Freeburg; St. Johannes, Fremont; Salems, Salem; St. Peters, Meiser Station; St. Paulus, Middle Creek; Botschafts, Chapman Twp.	J. F. Wampole	Freeburg.
Selinsgrove	Erste ev.-luth. Kirche, Market Str., Selinsgrove; Zions (gemeinschaftlich), Kratzerville; St. Paulus, Verdilla.	S. E. Ochsenford	Selinsgrove.
Pfarrstellen 3	Gemeinden 14		

Sullivan Co.

Dushore	Zions und Friedens, Cherry Twp.; St. Johannes, Wilmot Twp., Bradford Co. Gemeinden 3	S. Wenrich	Dushore.
Pfarrstellen 1			

Tioga und Potter Counties.

Potter- und Tioga-Mission	Germania, Potter Co., nebst einer Anzahl von Predigtplätzen.	Vakant	Beavertown.
Pfarrstellen 1	Gemeinden 1		

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Es gehören zur I. Konferenz 62 Parochien, 85 Gemeinden, 90 Geistliche.
II. „ 61 „ 129 „ 65 „
III. „ 30 „ 93 „ 33 „
IV. „ 25 „ 49 „ 29 „
V. „ 24 „ 79 „ 22 „
Deutschen „ 7 „ 7 „ 9 „

Gesammtzahl der Parochien 209, der Gemeinden 442, der Geistlichen 265. Bei 17 Geistlichen konnte keine Konferenz-Verbindung angegeben werden.

Zusammenstellung.

Geistliche. —	Pastoren von Gemeinden oder Parochien	200	
	Pastoren, die zugleich Professoren sind	1	
	Pastoren-Gehülfen	3	
	Professoren und Lehrer	11	
	Missionare	4	
	Ordinirt bei dieser Synode	18	
	Nicht mehr im aktiven Dienst oder ohne Gemeinden	28	
			265
Gemeinden			442
	Parochien des Ministeriums		209
	Confirmirte Glieder	101,846	
	Zum Abendmahl gingen	83,686	
Zunahme —	Durch Confirmation	5,507	
	Aus lutherischen Gemeinden	2,086	
	Aus andern Gemeinschaften	494	
	Durch Taufe Erwachsener	381	
			8,468
	Kindertaufen		9,255
Abnahme. —	Durch Tod	1,989	
	Durch Wegzug	1,503	
	Durch Ausschluß	108	
			3,600
Gemeindeschulen		18	
	Lehrer	30	
	Schüler	1,444	
Sonntagschulen. —	1. Lutherische	223	
	Lehrer	5,007	
	Schüler	45,670	
	2. Unlutherische	278	
	Lehrer	3,156	
	Schüler	28,518	

Beiträge: — 1. Für Gemeinde-Zwecke:

a) Laufende Ausgaben			$272,584 73
b) Für besondere Zwecke			165,251 99
2. In der Auflage eingeschlossene Beiträge:			
a) Allgemeine Wohlthätigkeit	$16,784 15		
b) Heidenmission	5,990 86		
			$22,775 01
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a) Theologisches Seminar	$17,980 58		
b) Mühlenberg Kollegium	13,209 08		
c) Waisenhaus	7,792 34		
d) Englische Einheimische Mission	5,335 57		
e) Deutsche Einheimische Mission	1,458 75		
			$45,776 32
4. Sonstige wohlthätige Zwecke			10,361 29
Gesammt-Summe			$516,749 34

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Einnahmen.		Ausgaben.	
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		Bilanz in der Kasse.....	8295 90
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